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No Ban On Bihar Kisan Sabha

Japanese Triumphant Entry Into Nanking Objective Of Punitive Expedition Still Far Off, Says Admiral Hasegawa

TOKIO, Dec. 17

In the presence of Prince Asaka Matsui, the Japanese forces made a triumphal entry into Nanking this afternoon.

The celebrations were held at the former headquarters of the Chinese Government.

Following the celebrations, Admiral Hasegawa made a statement expressing sincere regret for the "Panay" and "Lady Bird" incidents. He said that he is doing his best to secure fair settlement and that Japan will redouble her efforts to attain the objective of the punitive expedition which is still far off.—Reuter.

FOR DEFENCE OF HANKOW

HANKOW, December 17. Working day and night, an army of 400,000 completed a strong boom across the Yangtze at Kiukiang.

Several other booms were built further up the river with the object of preventing Japanese warships from steaming up the river to bombard Hankow.—Reuter.

JAPAN'S WITHDRAWAL FROM SHANSI

PEKING, December 17. Close observers believe that Hankow need not fear an immediate attack via the Peking-Hankow Railway.

The Japanese have not advanced beyond Changteh, North Honan where they have been at a standstill for several weeks, while in Shansi, a withdrawal has been admitted. The Japanese troops there, are at present on the defensive, 30 miles to the south of

Taiyuanfu and a Japanese spokesman admitted that the forces were insufficient to take the southern half of the province. Attacks on the Railway to points within 20 miles of Peking were frequent.

It is believed that it is impossible for the Japanese to drive even as far as the Yellow river on the Peking-Hankow Line, without leaving the right flank seriously exposed. The Chinese have destroyed 20 miles of railway in South Changteh. The fact that 75,000 Japanese troops were withdrawn from North China during the past two months is taken to indicate that no big southern drive is envisaged at present.—Reuter.

Precaution Against Japanese Attack On Hongkong

HONGKONG, Dec. 17. In view of the impending possibility of military operations in South China the authorities at (Continued on page 7, column 6.)

ATTACKED BY SPANISH SHIP

French Freighter's S. O. S. For Help From British Destroyer

TANGIER, Dec. 17. The French freighter "Sydney" sent a wireless message as follows: "Attacked by Spanish warship, one mile Southwest of Europa point. We have gone towards Ceuta. Want help from a British destroyer".—Reuter.

No Attack On "Sydney"

GIBRALTAR, Dec. 17. Naval authorities state that "Sydney" was not attacked but was merely stopped and questioned by insurgent trawlers. No British warship went to her assistance. It is understood that Sydney has continued her voyage.—Reuter.

DEOLI INTERNEES FOR BERMAMPURE

CALCUTTA, December 17. The sixth batch of internees from Deoli passed through Bandel Junction, E. I. Railway about 30 miles from Calcutta this afternoon "en route" to Bermampure (Bengal) where they will be lodged in the Detention Camp.—A. P.

EGYPTIAN CRISIS

Sir Miles Lampson Asked To Bring About Rap-prochement

LONDON, December 17. Sir Miles Lampson has been asked by the parties concerned to give his advice on the difficulties that have arisen in Egypt between the Palace and the Cabinet. It is understood that Sir Miles Lampson tendered advice that conciliation between two parties should be achieved if possible.—Reuter.

LONDON, December 16. When the King and Queen were returning from the theatre to-night the royal car collided with a small private car in the Trafalgar Square. Nobody was hurt and the damage was slight. The Royal car proceeded after a few minutes' delay.—Reuter.

Rajen Babu Explains

Implications Of Congress Executive Resolution

(From Our Correspondent)

PATNA, December 17. THE RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE WORKING COMMITTEE OF THE BIHAR P. C. C. DID NOT MEAN BAN ON KISAN SABHA SAID BY BABU RAJENDRA PRASAD IN THE COURSE OF A TALK WITH THE SECRETARY OF THE DISTRICT CONGRESS COMMITTEE. IT IS FURTHER OBSERVED THAT THE DISTRICT CONGRESS COMMITTEES HAVE ONLY BEEN ASKED TO WATCH AND REPORT ON THE VIOLENT ACTIVITIES OF MEMBERS.

GOVIND DAS AT JOHANNESBURG

Transvaal Indian Congress Holds Reception

JOHANNESBURG, Dec. 17. Seth Govind Das, Member of the Indian Legislative Assembly, arrived in Johannesburg and welcomed by a large crowd of Indians. A reception was arranged in his honour by the Transvaal Indian Congress, took place in Patidar Hall, at which Seth Govind Das was garlanded. After numerous welcoming speeches, Seth Govind Das spoke on his impressions of East and South Africa and described the present political position in India.—Reuter.

D. J. SIND COLLEGE STRIKE CONTINUES

KARACHI, Dec. 17. For the fifth day in succession, the D. J. Sind College remained closed to-day, no way having been found for the impasse between the College authorities and the strikers. The College will be closed to-morrow.—A. P.

FLOODS IN ROME

Over 2000 Rendered Homeless Sequel To Abnormal Rising Of Tiber

ROME, Dec. 17. It is estimated that 2,000 are homeless in the outlying suburbs of Rome as a result of floods and the overflowing of the Tiber, which is over thirty-feet above the normal level.—Reuter.

POLICE CLASH WITH ARABS

JERUSALEM, Dec. 17. Police troops are continuing their operations in Tulkaram Hills, where they have come to grips with a large gang of Arabs and sharp fighting is in progress.—Reuter.

IN MEMORY OF LATE MR. K. H. VAKIL

To-morrow's issue of the "Chronicle" will contain articles from leading men and women in the Art World on the late Mr. K. H. Vakil and his activities for the cause of Art. The articles are profusely illustrated with photographs recording his activities both in India and abroad.

BETTING TAX MARS RACING

Cawnpore Stewards' Decision

CAWNPORE, Dec. 17. It is understood that as a result of the introduction of the betting tax in the U.P., the stewards of the Cawnpore Gymkhana Races will suspend racing here as, according to them, the tax has severely affected racing.—A. P.

CALCUTTA, Dec. 17. Mr. Harold Butler, Director of International Labour Office, Geneva, was entertained by the Finance Minister of Bengal, Mr. N. R. Sarker, at an afternoon party to-day.—A. P.

Bihar Assembly Passes Tenancy Bill

Measure To Be Taken To Upper House To-day

PATNA, Dec. 17.

The Bihar Legislative Assembly passed to-day the Bihar Tenancy Amendment Bill which aims at giving relief to tenants.

During the two days' discussion the Bill had a smooth-sailing as the result of an agreement arrived at between the Government and the Zamindars.

Some amendments moved by the Leader of the Opposition were accepted by the Government and also by the House without any division. Some amendments moved by the members of the Independent Party were all rejected by the House after some discussion.

Important Provisions not to be finished till 4 p. m. FOR UPPER HOUSE TO-MORROW

Some of the important provisions of the Bill relate to the partition of holding, the distribution of grant, the commutation of rent, penalty for illegal exactions by landlords or agents of landlords, the execution of decrees for arrears of rent, restriction on the payment of certain kind of rent by agreement, etc. The House had to sit till late in the night because all clauses could

Shahidganj Case Appeal

Certain Points Not Sufficiently Argued

LAHORE, Dec. 17. A full bench of the Lahore High Court consisting of Mr. Chief Justice Mr. Justice Bhide and Mr. Justice Din Mahmood pronounced the following order on the Shahidganj appeal: "The Court considers that certain points in the Shahidganj case have not been sufficiently argued. They are:—

Whether new period of limitation starts to run from the date of demolition of the Mosque.

If so has the Mosque for worshipper's rights to seek relief from Court and ask for a mandatory injunction to be issued to defendants to rebuild the Mosque?

If such right exists can the Court issue such an injunction and if such an injunction is issued can this injunction be enforced?

Their Lordships fixed January 10 for hearing arguments.—A. P.

SATYAGRAHA STARTS

LAHORE, Dec. 17.

The Shahidganj agitation was revived to-day after Friday prayers by the Majlis-i-Ahlar.

A batch of ten volunteers led by Mr. Mazhar Ali Azhar, a member of the Punjab Legislative Assembly, marched in procession from the Wazir Khan Mosque towards there. They were followed by thousands of people and when they reached the City "Kotwali" the procession was stopped by a police force, under the Senior Superintendent of Police. All the ten refusing to abandon the march they were arrested under Sec. 151 (knowingly joining or continuing in an assembly of five or more persons after it had been commanded to disperse). The crowd thereupon dispersed peacefully.

Earlier at the mosque Mr. Mazhar Ali announced to a congregation numbering nearly 20,000 that the next batch will march to Shahidganj next Friday, whereafter batches would go daily.—A. P.

SUGAR REPORT NOT TO BE PUBLISHED

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, Dec. 17.

I learn that the Government of India have decided to withhold publication of the Tariff Board Report on Sugar Industry until it has been fully considered and Government are in a position to announce their conclusions simultaneously in a Government Resolution.

This goes against the suggestion which has been frequently made in the Assembly to the effect that Government should first publish the report, give an opportunity for public opinion to express itself and then decide on action.

I understand that the Tariff Board will now proceed to examine the Paper Industry and Magnesium Chloride Industry. The present protective duties on paper pulp which were recommended by the Board for seven years in 1931 will come to an end in 1939. The Magnesium Chloride Industry which is important both in textiles and the manufacture also enjoys a protective duty which was imposed in 1931 after the Board's enquiry in 1928.

Tariff Board Report On Sugar & Govt. Decision

NEW DELHI, Dec. 17.

The report of the Tariff Board on Sugar which had been under the examination of the Government of India will be published shortly together with Government's decisions thereon.—United Press.

NAZIS TO FLOAT HUGE LOAN

Over 700 Million Marks To Be Raised

BERLIN, Dec. 17.

Germany is expected to issue to-morrow a new internal loan amounting to between 700 million and 1,000 million marks.—Reuter.

CONGRESSMAN WINS IN PUNJAB

Bye-Election To Provincial Assembly For Central Sikh Seat

AMRITSAR, Dec. 17. In the Punjab Assembly bye-election from the Central Sikh constituency Sardar Kishan Singh (Congress) has been declared elected. He has secured 4,466 votes as against only 5 obtained by his rival, Sardar Rajinder Singh.—A. P.

WHERE CONGRESS CABINET MEETS

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 17. Acharya J. B. Kripalani, General Secretary of the All-India Congress Committee, has told the "United Press" that a meeting of the Congress Working Committee will be held about the first or second of January, 1938, either at Allahabad or at Wardha, the probability of Allahabad being chosen as the venue being greater.—United Press.

CONGRESS WORK AND MUSLIMS

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 17. Maulana Syed, a well-known Muslim leader of Delhi, has been on a visit to Allahabad. He met Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru to-day and held discussion regarding Congress work among the Muslims.—United Press.

DOCK WORKERS HOLD ON

Calcutta Strikers Procession In Kidderpore Area

CALCUTTA, Dec. 17. More workers having joined the strike to-day, the number of Dock strikers has now swelled to 3,000. The strikers paraded the Kidderpore area in procession and later held a meeting, at which they resolved to hold out, remaining absolutely peaceful.—A. P.

WHY REFERENDUM ON WAR?

Roosevelt Says It Is Inconsistent

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17. President Roosevelt at a Press Conference expressed the view that a Referendum on War was not consistent with the representative from the Government, when referring to an amendment to the United States Constitution proposed by a Congressman which would make a national referendum necessary for the declaration of a war.

Mr. Cordell Hull had previously expressed his opposition to the Amendment. President Roosevelt refused to comment on the "Panay" incident.—Reuter.



Sardar Patel, Mr. Mahadeo Desai, Mr. Shantidas Askurani, and others visited "El-Madina" on Thursday night, when a party was given by the Scindia S. N. Co. in Bombay harbour.

OUR TABULATED ADLETS

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Wanted an educated girl of a respectable family of Bombay for a Doctor Practising in Bombay. Apply Box No. 9525 "Bombay Chronicle."

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Wanted Services of influential House Agents, who have large and respectable clientele. Apply Box No. 9521 "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted—Assistants in the Bleaching, Mercerising and Printing Departments. Those selected from among Science Graduates or Diplomates of any recognised technical institute in India will be placed in the grade of Rs. 50—5—80. Those with experience, with or without degree or diploma will be given salary according to their experience; such men should state in their application the minimum salary desired by them. Apply with full details to the Office Assistant, Calico Mills Ahmedabad. (7505)

Wanted—Manager for an Oil Mills in U. P. capacity 1000 Mds. daily. Technologist or Engineer preferred. Must deposit 15,000 bearing interest 6 per cent on perfectly safe conditions. Salary 300 monthly, free quarter. Or such other terms as settled according to capability. Apply stating past connections. Box No. 9523 "Bombay Chronicle."

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Experienced Parsi lady teacher seeks situation as companion or governess in a respectable family or private tuitions. Apply Box No. 9517 "Bombay Chronicle."

An experienced General Clerk knowing Ledger-keeping and Typing, seeking employment elsewhere. Apply: Mohan, 25 Radhanivas, Parel, Bombay. (9522)

62. TO BE LET

To Let—Ground Floor, Nanabhai Lodge, 558, Hormusji Adenwalla Road. Dada, five rooms rent Rs. 75. Apply E. N. Khareghat, 16, Alexandra Road, Gamdevi. (9499)

Kaiser-i-Hind Building Fourth Floor To Let whole or divided Ideal Accommodation for a business office, with stylish wooden partitions and commodious rooms, equipped with fans, lights, sanitary fittings, etc., at the airy top floor of the Kaiser-i-Hind Building, Ballard Estate, at the junction of Currimbhoy and Sprott Road. Rent Rs. 300 per mensem. Apply sharp to Mr. E. R. Hirjibehdin, Kaiser Chambers, Opp. Mint, Elphinstone Circle, Fort. (9512)

68. FLATS TO LET

To Let—Airy and Commodious Flats fit for Hospital, School and residential purposes and shops at Cullindas Front Building, Gowalia Tank Road. Apply Manecklal Damania, Solicitor, Behind Wilson College, Chowpatty, (Telephone No. 41992 and 24827). (9513)

78. OFFICE PREMISES TO LET

To Let Immediately spacious Flat, First Floor, for Office purpose at Hamam Street. Rent Rs. 150. Please apply Messrs. Tarachand Purnam Jewellers, 63, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay. (7443)

78. OFFICE PREMISES TO LET

To let immediately 3 large office rooms, two w.c.s, Navsari Chambers off Hornby Road. Liftman will show. Rent Rs. 100 or near offer. Apply Col. Vazifdar, Phone: 42425. (9486)

125. MOTOR DRIVING SCHOOLS

Motor Driving taught perfectly within fifteen days by expert on our car, charges moderate. Apply Box 9534 "Bombay Chronicle."

148. SCHOOLS (VOCATIONAL)

College of Dentistry—Intensely practical dental training. Excellent facilities. Efficient staff. Modern buildings and equipment. Session begins 15th January. For illustrated Prospectus apply Principal, Dr. M. K. Patel, D.D.S., Hospital Road, Karachi. (9529)

174. BOOKS

Cheapest, Choice X'mas Cards Children's annuals, Fashionbooks, Wireless magazines, Stamp, Autograph, Photoalbums, Photoframes, Dictionaries, Almanacs, Ephemerides, Stationery, Cookery, Poultry, Astrology, Dreambooks, Newspapers, Palmistry: King Co., Fort. (9533)

219. PATENT MEDICINES

Sexus Paste, best contraceptive jelly. Gelotube, best venereal preventive. Ask for Catalogue. Right Agency, Girgaum, Bombay. (9134)

336. BUSINESSES FOR SALE

For Sale big going concern business in Bombay and up-country, well paying 15 per cent to 35 per cent, very good future prospects. Owner retiring, will accept partnership also. Apply Box No. 9524, "Bombay Chronicle."

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A technical expert of sound experience with small investment wishes to take 4 or 5 partners for a large scheme of business. Investment 4 to 5 thousand each. Apply Box No. 9463, "Bombay Chronicle."

347. LOANS & MORTGAGES

Wanted a Financier to finance a good running Industrial concern, interest and other advantages given. Apply Box No. 9532, "Bombay Chronicle."

390. DYES-PAINTS-VARNISH

R. & M. Colour Co., We stock all kinds of Aniline Colours, suitable for mills and re-packers. Our prices are cheaper. Apply to: S. D. Billimoria, Sambava Chambers Sir P. M. Mehta Rd., Fort, Bombay. (9519)

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Mofussil Advertisers are requested to send remittances in advance and state clearly whether they wish to insert their advertisements in these columns or in the Classified.

NOTICE.

THE GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY have given their sanction to the raising of a loan of Rs. 25 lacs at 3 3/4 per cent by the Ahmedabad Municipality for the Suburban Drainage Scheme in three instalments of Rs. 8, 10, and 7 lacs. The Municipality proposes to raise the first instalment of Rs. 8 lacs before 31st December, 1937.

Sealed tenders are invited from the public so as to reach the Chief Officer on or before 4 P.M. of 23rd Dec. 1937—An amount equal to 5 per cent of the face value of debentures tendered for, must be deposited with each tender without which no tender will be considered. The detailed prospectus of the loan and the tender form can be had from the Chief Accountant of the Ahmedabad Municipality on application. The interest will be paid from 7th January 1938 or from the date the amount of the debentures allotted in full is paid into the Municipal Treasury, whichever is later.

(Sd.) I. R. BHAGAT,
Chief Officer,
Ahmedabad Municipality. 7506.

DADAR CO-OPERATIVE BANK LTD.

NOTICE.

Dadar, 10th December 1937.
The ADJOURNED SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING of the shareholders of the Bank will be held in DHURU HALL at 8-30 P.M. on SATURDAY, the 18th December, 1937.

All are requested to be present.
By order
N. P. AWATI,
Hon. Secretary. (7491)

Legal Notices

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Bal LILABAI alias JAVERRAHO, widow and administratrix of the estate of Gagu Kara has contracted to sell to our client the undermentioned property.

All persons having any claim to the said property by way of inheritance, gift, lease, lien, maintenance, mortgage, charge, sale or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned within 14 days from the date hereof. All other claims if any which are not so received will be considered as null, void and waived and the purchase will be completed without reference to any such claims.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

ALL that piece or parcel of land or ground of Pension and Tax tenement cess whereof has been redeemed together with the messuage tenement or building, standing thereon situate, lying and being on the Western side of Tellwady or Vithoba Lane in the City and Registration, Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 387 square yards or thereabouts and entered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under New No. 3400, Old Survey No. 197, New Survey No. 1471, Cadastral Survey No. 1548 of Bhuleswar Division and in those of the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under C Ward Nos. 1741, 1742 Old Street Nos. 19-22(1), New Street Nos. 6-8 and bounded on the East by the said Tellwady or Vithoba Lane, on the West partly by the property of Gangadas Ranchordas and partly by the property of Nathalal Bhudherji Bhagwanji, on the North by the property of Mulchand Ganeshdas and on the South by the property of Nathalal Bhudherji Bhagwanji.

Dated this 17th day of December, 1937.
KANGA & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
Address:—
Yusuf Building, Churchgate Street, Fort, Bombay.

Public Notices

NOTICE.

IMPERIAL BANK OF INDIA.

Calcutta, 24th November, 1937.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Principal Register and the Branch Registers of the Imperial Bank of India will be CLOSED for transfer of shares from MONDAY, the 3rd January, 1938, to MONDAY, the 17th January, 1938, both days inclusive.

W. LAMOND,
Managing Director. 7396.

THE SIALKOT NAROWAL RAILWAY CO., LTD.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TRANSFER BOOKS of the above Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 27th December, 1937, to MONDAY, the 10th January, 1938, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,
KILLICK, NIXON & CO.,
Agents.
Home Street, Fort, Bombay, 16th December, 1937. (7515)

NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS for the supply of (a) Food, (b) Clothing for one year from 1st March, 1938, for the David Sassoon Industrial School will be received by the Managing Committee upto 12 Noon (S. T.) on WEDNESDAY, the 29th December, 1937, at the Office of the School at Matunga.

The Managing Committee does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.
Printed copies of the 2 tender forms divided into 3 schedules for rations and one for stores costing Rs. 2 and Re. 1 respectively can be obtained at the School between 11 & 12 noon (S.T.) daily where all information can also be obtained and the samples of articles required can be inspected.

Earnest money of Rs. 400 should be deposited in the Imperial Bank of India, Fort Bombay to the credit of the David Sassoon Industrial School Account No. 1 and the receipt for the amount should be handed over to the Secretary along with the tender, without which no tender will be accepted or considered. 7507.

UNIVERSITY OF BOMBAY.

DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICAL TECHNOLOGY.

COMPETITION FOR TEXTILE DESIGNS.

Artists and others are invited to submit, not later than the 28th February 1938, designs containing not more than three colours, suitable for roller printing on textile fabrics. Designs submitted will be adjudicated by a Committee nominated by the University which will award prizes to the three best designs as follows:—

First Prize Rs. 250.
Second Prize Rs. 125.
Third Prize Rs. 75.

No entrance fee will be charged, but the winning designs shall become the property of the University and furthermore the University reserves the right to exhibit any design entered for the competition. The date of the Exhibition of designs will be announced later. Full particulars and entrance forms may be had on application from the undersigned.

R. B. FOSTER, A.R.C.S.I.,
Ph.D., D.Sc., F.I.C.,
Head of Department,
Bombay, 10th December, 1937. 7487.

BOMBAY-SIND PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.

Applications invited for a temporary post of Marketing Officer (Handloom products), terminable on 3 months' notice, on Rs. 300-15-450. Qualifications: Good general education with at least 7 years' practical experience of purchase and sale on large scale of textile fabrics, specially handloom products, including 3 years in responsible position in the piecegoods trade; candidates with commercial degree in addition and natives of the Bombay Presidency preferred; knowledge of at least one vernacular of the Presidency essential. Applications, by registered post, should reach the Secretary, Bombay-Sind Public Service Commission, P.W.D. Secretariat, Bombay, not later than the 15th January 1938.

Full particulars will be found in Part I of the issues of the Bombay Government Gazette dated the 16th and 23rd, December, 1937, or can be obtained on application, with duly stamped and addressed envelope, to the Secretary to the Commission. Any attempt, direct or indirect, to influence the Secretary or a Member of the Commission will disqualify a candidate. 7467.

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THE MANDRA RHON RAILWAY COMPANY, LTD.

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By order of the Board,
KILLICK, NIXON & CO.,
Agents.
Home Street, Fort, Bombay, 16th December, 1937. (7516)

MORVI RAILWAY.

SEALED TENDERS ARE INVITED for the supply of 10,000 (Ten thousand) M. G. half round sleepers of the best Jodka Teak of the standard Meter Gauge dimensions of not less than 8'3" x 4 1/2" for delivery F.O.R. Wankar Junction, Sleepers of 6'3" x 4" to the extent of 20 per cent as a maximum will be accepted.

(2) Delivery to commence on 1st February, 1938 and to be completed by the end of that month.
(3) The tender which may be submitted on the Tenderer's own form should be addressed to the Stores Superintendent, Morvi Railway, Morvi. Subscribed "Tender for Meter Gauge Sleepers" and accompanied with Rs. 200 as Earnest Money.

(4) Tenders will be received in this office upto 5 P.M. of 5th January, 1938.
JAYASHANKER K. DAFTARY,
Stores Superintendent,
Morvi, 15/12/37. (7519)

THE ASSOCIATED CEMENT COS. LTD.

THE MANAGING AGENTS are authorised to announce that the Board of Directors of the above Company have resolved to recommend the payment of a dividend at the rate of Rs. 7-8-0 per share (free of income-tax) for the year ending 31st July 1937. The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held on Friday, 28th January 1938 and Notices will be posted to the Shareholders in due course.

For Cement Agencies Ltd.,
P. J. BILLIMORIA,
Managing Director.
Dated, Bombay,
17th December, 1937. (7514)

BOMBAY-SIND PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.

APPLICATIONS, in the printed form prescribed by Government, are invited for fourteen posts of probationary Subordinate Judges in the Judicial Branch of the Bombay Civil Service. Full particulars will be found in Part I of the issues of the Bombay Government Gazette dated 2nd and 9th December, 1937 or can be obtained on application, enclosing a stamped and addressed envelope to the Secretary, Bombay-Sind Public Service Commission, P. W. D. Secretariat, Bombay. Last date for receipt of applications for appointment: 10th January 1938. Any attempt, direct or indirect, to influence the Secretary or a Member of the Commission or any other person concerned with the selection of candidates will disqualify the candidate. 7378.

NOTICE TO BUILDING CONTRACTORS.

SEALED TENDERS ARE INVITED for the construction of the Proposed Rajaram College Building at Kolhapur.

Tenders shall be received in triplicate, one addressed to Huzui Office, Financial Branch, Kolhapur, second addressed to the Prime Minister, Kolhapur, and the third addressed to the undersigned. The last tender only should be accompanied by a deposit of Rs. 10,000. Tender forms, conditions of contract, specifications and schedule of quantities can be obtained on payment of Rs. 4 per copy and a set of drawings for Rs. 20.

The tenders will be received on or before 4 P.M. Monday, the 10th January 1938 both at Kolhapur and Bombay according to the convenience of the contractors.

The undersigned is not bound to accept the lowest or any tender and will be in Kolhapur at the Office of the Executive Engineer on 28th and 29th instant from 12 to 4 P.M. to explain particulars.
S. J. NARWEKAR, A.R.I.B.A.,
Chartered Architect,
or
S. J. NARWEKAR & CO.,
Lalgar Chambers,
Tamarind Lane,
Fort, Bombay. 7509

Public Notices

NOTICE.

BACK BAY RECLAMATION.

THE COLLECTOR will put up for Public Auction, the lease of Plot No. 119 measuring about 2.191 sq. yds., and situated on Jamshedji Tata and Dinsha Watch Roads in Block II of the Back Bay Reclamation on 12th January, 1938, at 1 P.M. (S.T.) in his office at the Old Custom House, Fort.

Prospective lessees will have to deposit with the Collector Rs. 25,000 in cash or in Government securities on the day previous to the date of auction. The deposit will be forfeited if a bidder withdraws his bid.

The Collector is not bound to accept the highest or any bid and the acceptance of a bid by the Collector is subject to the sanction of Government.

T. E. STREATFIELD,
Collector of Bombay.
Collector's Office,
Bombay, 18th December 1937. 7512.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that 3 Certificates for Shares Nos. 739, 2846, and 3048 of the Ahmedabad Prantij Ry. Co., Ltd., standing in the name of Ganesh Govind Padhye, have been LOST.

The public are hereby warned against purchasing or dealing with the above Certificates in any way; but are requested to give information about the same to the undersigned if they happen to come into their hands in any way.
GANESH GOVIND PADHYE,
18, D. G. Colony,
Poona, 4. (9528)

Auction Sales.

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Selections For To-day's Races

Hewitt Holds Strong Hand In Western India Cup Race

(By "SENEX.")
Among the several rich prizes to be won to-morrow is the Western India Cup. I have an idea that Hewitt's pair will be the hardest to beat and give my vote to HIS LORDSHIP, who has never been beaten.

THE BUSHIRE PLATE (Div. I)—Distance 6 Furlongs.	THE STEWARDS CUP—Distance 1 1/4 Miles.
GHAZALAN 1	GAY BACHELOR 1
NOORI 2	SEA BATTLE 2
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THE BATHURST PLATE—Distance 1 Mile 1 Furlong.	THE WESTERN INDIA CUP—Distance 1 Mile.
RIGOLETTA 1	HIS LORDSHIP 1
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THE BATH PLATE—Distance 6 Furlongs.	THE STETCHWORTH PLATE—Distance 7 Furlongs.
MUZZAM PASHA 1	AL GHAZI 1
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THE IDAR GOLD CUP—Distance 7 Furlongs.	THE CRIVEN STAKES—Distance 7 Furlongs.
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Sports Jottings From Here And There

Supplant Communal Tournament By A National One

(BY J. C. MAITRA)
The Quadrangular Cricket Tournament which was in existence in Bombay for nearly a quarter of a century, was ushered in its new garb as Pentangular on Wednesday last. The new-comers in the carnival are the Rest composed of Anglo-Indians, Indian Christians and Jews who were so long outside its orbit. But the Pentangular has remained so only in name this year as the Hindus have stayed out of it. I have no doubt that there are thousands of cricket-lovers not only in this city but in the whole of Western India who deplore the present deadlock. To most of them it is a matter of little consequence whether the Gymkhana concerned receive equal number of seats in the Brabourne Stadium or more or less. They are interested only in the Tournament.

MEANINGLESS CONTROVERSY
But the question of allocation of seats has now developed, like the Tournament itself, into a purely communal one. It has become such a vital point with each of the contending parties that they consider that in it lies the prestige and honour of their respective communities. And who ever gives in would surrender and sacrifice his community to the winning foe. To a disinterested observer this wrangling and fighting would seem absurd and ridiculous. But those who hold the destiny of Bombay's Cricket in their palms think otherwise. Therefore the battle over it is still raging unabated. When and how it will end I cannot say, because its solution lies in the laps of our communal gods. This much I can boldly state, however, that the settlement whenever it comes will now leave a sour taste in the mouths of everybody concerned.

EFFECT OF HINDU BOYCOTT
As it is, the feelings are running very high among them all. The Hindu Gymkhana, feeling aggrieved at the unfair deal meted out to them by the Cricket Club of India—which, it must be noted, was due to the insistence of the Islam and Parsee Gymkhana to maintain equality of status and position between all the four principal Gymkhana as existed during the last twenty-four years—asked the members of their community to boycott the Pentangular and the Stadium. Its result was seen during the three days when the first match between the Mahomedans and the Parsis was played. The Stadium was very sparsely populated—I do not think the number of spectators even went beyond 3,000—in contrast with 30,000 or so during the unofficial Test match. This deficiency must have caused a heavy loss not only to the C.C.I. but to the various Gymkhana and Clubs who engaged seats for these

matches. This is sure to have occasioned a lot of ill-feeling between the rival parties.

MERCHANT'S VIEW

What beats me in all these communal bickerings and wranglings is this that there should be still people in Bombay who maintain that this communal form of sport does not create any communal animosity or jealousy. Would they tell me if such a situation would have ever arisen or such bitterness of feelings generated if the tournament was played on territorial instead of communal basis? I should think not. Then why persist in it and invite more jealousy and enmity? The time has now definitely arrived when this form of sport should be abolished once for all.

I feel extremely happy to find Vijay Merchant, the All-India skipper supporting my views in a special article to the Cricket Annual, edited and published by Ayres E. Francis. He rightly observes that the communal form of cricket has fully served its purpose in creating interest for it among all communities. Now we should have tournaments of a national character which would inspire national feelings and instil a sense of national self-respect.

EXPLODED THEORY

Merchant plumps for the Ranji Trophy Tournament and invites greater public support to it. There unfortunately many sceptics in our part of the country who shake their heads and say that nothing but communal form of cricket would rouse public enthusiasm. Some of them aver that the Pentangular might be allowed to go on until the Inter-Provincial Tournament has created a field for itself. Then the latter might be allowed to supplant the former. This proposition is utterly wrong in principle and practice. A thing which is injurious and harmful to our national feelings and sentiments should not be supported for a moment. The sooner it is scotched the better for our country.

COMMUNALISM OR NATIONALISM?

As for public support to the Ranji Trophy and the Zone Quadrangular I think that the apprehension is more fancied than real. Bombay is so thoroughly cricket-minded that she would wholeheartedly support any great festival, whether it is on communal or non-communal basis. But as long as the former remains the latter will not have any stomach for the latter. The reason for it is obvious. The Quadrangular has been in our blood, so to speak, since we have been brought up to its traditions from our younger days. It is bound to take a little time to get over its hold over us. But once we break through it, it will not take us long to forget its en-

AROUND THE COURTS

BOMBAY: Friday.

Shaikh Mahomed Usman, an assistant wharfinger in Bombay Customs, was sentenced to one day's simple imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 1000 or, in default, to undergo six months' imprisonment, on being found guilty of criminal breach of trust in respect of about Rs. 1,470.

A domestic servant mortgaged with a Marwari a gold pocket watch valued at Rs. 300 for Rs. 2.

Dr. August Hermentl, owner of the watch, complained to the police, and the accused, Marel Ratena, who was employed as his servant, was arrested. The watch was recovered from the shop of a Marwari with whom the watch was pledged by the accused.

The accused was sentenced to two months' rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 25, in default to one month's further imprisonment.

During two raids the Anti-Gambling Squad arrested Khurshed Riyasat Ali on Ibrahim Rahimtoola Road and Mohiddin Kader on Belasis Road last night on charges of Sutta Gambling.

The two suspects were placed before Mr. L. N. Mehta, Presidency Magistrate, Girgaum to-day and were ordered to be released on bail till December 21 and 23, respectively.

A motor car driven by one Gampatram Dayaram along Lady Jambhedji Road from Bandra towards Bombay mounted the footpath near Rewan Bhawan early to-day.

The five occupants in the car were thrown out. Shantabal, one of the occupants, died on the spot.

An inquest on her will be held to-morrow.

On charges of attempted murder and abetment Kurbanalli Yakub Khan and his father, Yakub Khan Nabibux Khan, were arrested last night by the Bhowwada police.

The Magistrate ordered them to be remanded into police custody till December 23.

chantment and find a new love in the National Tournament. What is needed now is the courage to break through the bond of communalism and welcome the free and healthy atmosphere of nationalism.

A SERIOUS DEFECT

Apart from the unhealthy communal aspect of the Quadrangular or Pentangular, its contests have another serious defect, and that is from the purely cricket point of view. The more I see it, the more I feel convinced that it cannot be the chief tournament of the country. If it is agreed that to be the chief tournament of the country it should have all its best talents participating in it, then the Pentangular would fall far short of it. The reason is that owing to its communal limitations some players who may not be even third class would find a place in it just because his community cannot field any better, while a first rate player has to stand off just because his community has produced too many of that rank. This is neither justice to the third rate player nor fair-play to the first class one. And such unreasonable and iniquitous distinctions are bound to degenerate players on both sides. As a matter of fact Bombay players are being elbowed out of the cricket field of India gradually just because of the narrow outlook of their cricket rulers. A look at the Punjab where cricket is not played on communal lines would convince anybody of my statement.

SCOPE FOR LOCAL TALENTS

Now the question may be rightly asked, how our players would improve if the Pentangular is abolished. The number of them who are now participating in it, would not have a chance in the Ranji Trophy or the Zone Quadrangular. So they must be given scope to exhibit their talents and improve their strength. For them I suggest that we should have local leagues on the English County lines and open knock-out tournaments. As they will be graded according to the strength of the Clubs and the calibre of their players, everyone will be in a position to gauge their progress. Then there will be a real competition for place and honour. For only those who stand on merit would alone have the opportunity of representing his province or zone and playing in the Premier Tournaments of the country as a whole. Communal interests and communal aggrandisements should not stand in the way of development of the game on national lines. I earnestly hope that those who are in power to-day would forsake their short-sighted policy and make the Cricket Club of India and the cricket in Bombay the proud heritage of the whole country.

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Khadi and Swadeshi Exhibition at Azad Maidan, 4 p.m. to 11 p.m.

Sunday, December 19.

Ward Elections to the B. P. C. C.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS

The Clia Line steamer "Clia Macfadyen" arrived London on 15th afternoon.

ALL-INDIA VAIDYA SAMMELAN

The 27th session of the All-India Vaidya Sammelan and other two conferences connected with it will be held at Nagpur at a convenient date instead of in December owing to the absence of Seth Govind Das M.L.A. Chairman, Reception Committee in East Africa.

DELISLE ROAD POST OFFICE

With effect from 20-12-1937 the working hours of the telegraph branch of the Delisle Road P.O. will be changed from 10-4 to 17-4 hours to 11-4 to 19-4 hours on week days. It will remain entirely closed on Sundays and Post and Telegraph holidays.

MADAME SOPHIA WADIA'S LECTURE

Under the auspices of the Buddha Society, Madame Sophia Wadia will deliver a public lecture on Sunday at 9:30 a.m. at Ananda Vilas in Nair Hospital Compound, near Bombay Central Station. The public is cordially invited. The subject is the daily practice of Buddhism.

HAVALA SETTLEMENT OF SHARES

The Secretary, the Native Share and Stock Brokers' Association writes: The shares which were to be sold on account of the defaulting members have been disposed of by private offer at the making-up prices (Havala) for January settlement.

JAMIAT SHUBBAN AL-MUSLIMEEN

Under the auspices of Jamiat Shubban al-Muslimeen a debate will be held at Jamiat's Hall to-day (Saturday) at 9:30 p.m. (S.T.), when Mr. Abdul Sattar Gandhi will propose the following subject: "Dictatorship alone can save the world."

PATHARE KSHATRIYA HISTORICAL RESEARCH COMMITTEE

Under the auspices of the Pathare Kshatriya Historical Research Committee a congratulatory meeting will be held to-morrow (Sunday) at 9:30 a.m. at Dr. V. J. Rath's "Vasant Nivas" opposite Dadar Station (B. B. and C. L. Rly.) in honor of Mr. V. S. Bendrey who is proceeding to Europe for Historical Research work as a Government Scholar.

AMUSEMENTS

OF THE DAY

CAPITOL—"Flight from Glory".

Daily at 4, 6-30, 8 and 10 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Tukaram". Daily at usual time.

EXCELSIOR—"Calling All Stars".

Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
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Daily at 5, 8 and 10-30 p.m. Matinee, to-day and to-morrow at 2 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Dunya Kya Hai". Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m. Matinee, to-day and to-morrow at 2-30 p.m.

MINERVA—"Jeevan Prabhat".

Daily at 5-30, 8 and 10-30 p.m. Matinee, to-day and to-morrow at 2-45 p.m.
PATHE—"Bulldog Drummond Comes Back". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m. Sunday morning show at 10 a.m.

PIAZZA—"Sons of the Desert".

Daily at 6-30 and 10 p.m. Matinee, to-day and to-morrow at 3-30 p.m.
REGAL—"Victoria The Great". Daily at 5-30, 8 and 10 p.m.

ROYAL—"Vidya".

Daily at usual time.
THE BROADWAY—"The Poor Little Rich Girl". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.

WELLINGTON—"My Dear Miss Aldrich".

Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
WEST END—"Toofani Toli". Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m. Matinee, to-day and to-morrow at 2-30 p.m.

WILSON 1935

The annual gathering of Wilson 1935 will be held to-day (Saturday) at 5-30 p.m. at the Wilson College Hall.

ADULT EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

Prof. G. S. Sodhi will meet his students in Political Science in Khalsa College (New Centre) to-day at the usual time.

BOMBAY TENANTS' ASSOCIATION

The meeting of the Managing Board of the Association will be held to-day (Saturday) at 5-30 p.m. (S.T.) in the 'D' Ward Office of the Association.

BAND AT THE VICTORIA GARDENS MOONLIGHT

The Ex. Service Band (I.A.) will play under the Directorship of Mr. E. Strip, a programme of music at the Victoria Gardens, Byeulla, Bombay to-day (Saturday) commencing at 9 a.m. (S.T.) moonlight.

LOHANA STUDENTS' SOCIAL GATHERING

The social gathering of the past and present students of L. and B. M. Lohana Boarding for Higher Education will be held to-day (Saturday) at 6 p.m. (S.T.) at 48, Hughes Road.

THE KANARA SARASWAT ASSOCIATION

Under the auspices of the Kanara Saraswat Association, a public meeting of the Kanara Saraswats will be held in the Association Hall on Sunday the 19th instant at 8 a.m. (S.T.) to express deep sorrow at the sad demise of Mr. Bhagavendra S. Maukar at Bombay. The President of the Association will preside.

PAPER-MAKING AND OIL PRESSING

Applications For Scholarships For Training At Wardha

The Secretary of the Board of Management of the A.I.V.A. writes:—

The last date for receiving applications for the scholarships sanctioned by the Government of Bombay for short courses of training in paper-making and oil pressing is 20th December, 1937. Candidates may send in their applications to, or secure information from, Mr. V. L. Mehta, C/o. Post Box No. 472, Bombay.

Hon. Mr. Nurie To Address Bohra Youths

Under the auspices of the Bohra Youth League, a public meeting will be held to-day (Saturday) at 9 p.m. in the League's Hall, 129, Abdul Rehman Street, when the Hon. Mr. M. Y. Nurie, Minister for Public Works, Bombay, will speak on "A message to Muslim youths". Mr. S. A. Brelvi will preside.

INDIAN MUSIC CIRCLE

The monthly concert will be held at Laxmi Bang, New Bhatwadi, Girgaum, to-night at 9-30 p.m. (S.T.) when Misses Bakale and Tombe (singers) followed by Bai Krishnabai will entertain the members with vocal music.

THE BOMBAY CITIZENS' COMMITTEE

The members of the above Committee are requested to attend Mr. A. H. Gode's Office at the Krishna Talkies at 7 p.m. this evening for B. P. C. C. Election work.

KANARA BROTHERHOOD

The adjourned extraordinary general meeting of the Kanara Brotherhood, Bombay, will be held to-day (Saturday) at 6 p.m. (S.T.) in the premises of the Brotherhood, 302-B, Vithalhat Patel Road, Girgaon.

SUBURBAN MUSIC CIRCLE

A musical concert of the above Circle will be held at 9-30 p.m. to-day (Saturday) at Vimalanand Koppkar Hall, Saraswat Colony, Dadabhai Road, Santa Cruz, when Khan Sahib Nasser Khaw of Hyderabad will entertain the members and guests to vocal music.

LECTURE ON UNCERTAINTY

There will be a lecture on "Uncertainty" by Prof. C. G. Darwin, F.R.S., Master, Christ's College, Cambridge at 11-45 a.m. to-day (Saturday) in Room No. 2 of the Royal Institute of Science, Bombay. Dr. T. S. Wheeler will preside.

BHAGAWADGITA CLASS

Swami Vishwanand will conduct the weekly public class in Bhagwadgita at the Ramkrishna Mission, Khar, at 9 a.m. on Sunday the 19th instant.

S. N. D. THAKERSEY KANYASHALA GATHERING

The thirteenth anniversary and the Social gathering of S. N. D. T. Kanyashala will be held at the Cowasji Jehangir Hall to-day (Saturday) at 4-30 p.m. when Prof. D. K. Karve will preside.

BOMBAY NATIONAL GUARDS

The Secretary of Bombay National Guards writes: All volunteers are requested to be present at the Azad Maidan to-day (Saturday) at 7 p.m.

POSTAL NOTICES

Registered and unregistered mails for Mauritius and Reunion per extra s.s. 'Indrapore' via Madras, Colombo and Batavia will be accepted at the General Post Office upto 3 p.m. to-day the 18th and 9 a.m. on Sunday the 19th instant respectively instead of as previously notified.

KALISHANKER AND KAKORI MARTYRS

The Jt. Hon. Secretary writes: Under the auspices of the Kalishanker Bajpai Memorial Committee, the seventh death anniversary of the late Pandit Kalishanker Bajpai will be observed to-day (Saturday) at 7-30 p.m. (S.T.) in the hall premises of Sri Satyanarain Mandir, Fergusson Road, Worli.

ALL-INDIA MEDICAL LICENTIATES' CONFERENCE

Dr. Joseph Benjamin, Ahmedabad, the President-elect of the 1st Bombay Provincial Conference of the All-India Medical Licentiate Association is arriving at the Bombay Central by Gujarat Mail at 6-45 a.m. (S.T.) to-day (Saturday).

LECTURE ON "TESTS OF SIGNIFICANCE"

Under the auspices of the University of Bombay a lecture will be delivered in the Royal Institute of Science Room No. 2 at 5-30 p.m. to-day (Saturday) by Prof. R. A. Fisher, F.R.S., of the Galton Laboratory, University College, London.

BOMBAY STUDENTS' UNION

Delegates to the Bombay Presidency Students' Conference elected by the Union should inform the Secretaries, on or before the 19th instant, personally or through post, their willingness to attend the Poona session of the Conference. Those who fail to do so will automatically cease to be delegates.

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APPEAL TO HIGH COURT

A dispute then arose as to the partition and the respondent finally got possession of his two-thirds in 1931, i.e., nearly five years later. In 1932, the respondent filed the present suit claiming mesne profits from the date of the compromise decree till delivery of possession. The trial court had decreed the respondent's claim against which there was an appeal to the High Court, which held that the respondent had not abandoned his right to future mesne profits. The appellants still wanted a reconsideration of the matter and it came before the Full Bench.

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The issue for the Court's decision was whether, after a suit for partition and mesne profits had been decided and the decree falls to award the claim to future mesne profits a second suit to recover mesne profits from the institution of the first suit or date of decree to the delivery of possession is barred under section 11 of the Civil Procedure Code.

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SUBURBAN REPRESENTATION IN CONGRESS

Changes Due To Reduction Of Seats To Maharashtra

The Secretary Suburban District Congress Committee announces that under instructions from the A.I.C.C. the M.P.C.C. has to effect certain changes in the quota of the representation as given to the different districts of Maharashtra.

The Maharashtra provincial quota of the representation which was fixed at 155 is now reduced to 145 and accordingly the 3 Urban and 7 rural representation has been reduced and the suburban district is thus losing one seat from its rural constituency.

As it is too late to disturb the arrangement completely at present, it is proposed to effect the following changes in the constituency. The Chamber-Mulund-Borivli constituency is broken up and Mulund is joined to Santa Cruz constituency while Chamber to Ville Parle and Borivli Dahisar to Andheri Malad constituency.

VARIETY ENTERTAINMENT

For the first time in the history of the suburbs I understand a grand variety entertainment is to be held by selected actors from the whole of the suburban area.

Parents Day Exhibition

The other function that ought to draw crowds is the 'Parents Day and Exhibition' organised by St. Andrew's High School, Bandra.

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The exhibition as I said some time last week is of a very high standard and ought to prove of interest to youngsters and grown-ups alike.

TO-MORROW

To-morrow the exhibition after a scheduled time is open only to those invited when the Mayor of Bombay is to preside, this will be followed by the St. Andrews Day Dinner.

KALISHANKER BAJPAI READING ROOM

The opening ceremony of the Kalishanker Bajpai Reading Room at Fergusson Road, Worli, in the premises of Seth Soori Vallabhdas Chawl will be performed by Mr. Mulraj Karsondas to-day (Saturday) at 6-30 p.m. (S.T.) by Mr. Umashankar Dixit, Secretary, the Marwadi Chamber of Commerce Ltd., will preside.

MR. GUNVANTLAL KAPADIA FOR B. P. C. C.

Mr. Gunvantlal Kapadia, Solicitor, the well-known Congress man of the city is contesting for a seat at the ensuing B. P. C. C. elections from 'D' Ward to take place on 19th instant and he earnestly appeals to the voters of the said Ward to support his candidature and return him to the B. P. C. C. to serve the Congress.

NATIONAL SEAMEN'S UNION

The extraordinary general meeting of the National Seamen's Union of India, Bombay will be held to-day (Saturday) at 4-30 p.m. at Kaiser Bagh Dongri, Bombay.

SCIENCE DELEGATES' LECTURES

Under the auspices of the Bombay Field Club, Mr. H. J. E. Peake, Ex-President of the Royal Anthropological Institute will deliver a lecture on "Pre-Historic Pottery" and Prof. H. J. Fleure will deliver a lecture on "New Method in the study of Races" at 11-45 a.m. to-day at the University Convocation Hall.

FOURTH ALL-INDIA CHILDREN'S GATHERING

Along with many other items of interesting programmes, the 4th All-India Children's Gathering have arranged to take the delegates out for an excursion in the suburbs of Bombay and also show them round the important places of Bombay city. Also dramatic entertainments will be arranged on all the three days, 25th, 26th and 27th night at the Azad Maidan. Children institutions or schools, willing to take part in the entertainment are requested to kindly approach the Secretary, c/o. Bai Mandir, near Ishwardas Park, Ville Parle, as early as possible.

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An urgent meeting of the secretaries of the various departments of the 4th All-India Children's Gathering will be held on Sunday at 9 a.m. (S.T.) at Mrs. Ratan Behn Mehta's Residence, New Patker Blocks, Bandra. As this will be practically the last meeting, all are requested to make it a point to attend the same without fail and oblige.

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TALK OF THE SUBURBS

(By A SUBURBAN MAN)

This week-end, I think, is going to be a very busy one for the Suburbanites. With exactly a week left for Christmas, the several preparations that this festival is noted for will be done—and besides this there seems to be about two public meetings, and a variety entertainment.

Then, Borivli I think will see large crowds of pilgrims at the Church of Our Lady of Mount Painsur and Santa Cruz I am sure will be alive with the presence of His Grace the Archbishop of Bombay to their parish.

For the first time in the history of the suburbs I understand a grand variety entertainment is to be held by selected actors from the whole of the suburban area.

Variety entertainments in the suburbs of late are becoming a craze. During the year no less than 20 animal variety entertainments are held on fixed dates, chosen by the respective clubs.

Now there comes up yet another Union, under the name of the "Salsette Selected". The President of this Union is Mr. L. F. Cardoz of Bandra who has through great sacrifice worked for the success of the Union's first function to-night. this promises to be a success.

The entertainment is being staged on the Municipal School

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CIVIL LIBERTY

The term 'civil liberty' is about as vague as civil liberty itself is rare in the world at the present time. Yet it is necessary to make the term as clear as language can make it, else the very struggle for liberty might come to naught. Probably that was the reason why Mr. K. M. Munshi, our Home Minister, chose this very subject for his discourse at a joint meeting of Indian and European Progressive Groups on Thursday at the Taj Mahal Hotel. He noted the prevalent confusion of ideas about the term civil liberty and significantly remarked that the very men "who at one time shielded the formation of Civil Liberties Unions have, after the Congress Ministries came into power, become more royal than the King himself." It is evident that some people understand civil liberty in different ways at different times as the occasion suits them.

Mr. Munshi's Definition

In view of the difficulty of offering a precise logical definition of civil liberty Mr. Munshi attempted a rough explanation of the term in the following terms: "Civil Liberty implies rights of free speech and association as also an atmosphere in which each individual can exercise his right consistently with the rights of others. Such a democracy can only exist when there is complete absence of coercion, in short, when non-violence prevails. If direct or indirect coercion is permitted, if a few can destroy the rights of many, civil liberty comes to an end." This is a fairly good general explanation of civil liberty, it being understood that direct or indirect coercion is an evil and brings civil liberty to an end whether it is permitted by a few against many or by many against a few. In practice, however, it is often difficult to say where precisely the exercise of an individual's rights violates the rights of others and at what stage and how it should be restricted by the State. To make the point clearer Mr. Munshi takes the following illustration: "For instance, if 500 strikers with the assistance of 50 goondas, by show of force, coerce the remaining 50,000 timid loyal workers from going to work the atmosphere destroys the basis of civil liberty. If the liberty of an intimidator is so valuable that it cannot be interfered with, it means that those who are intimidated have no civil liberty of their own. Such a view would mean the prevalence of the law of the jungle, not the rule of democracy." Unfortunately, there is still some difficulty in knowing for certain whether a particular incoherent agitator is really a goonda or not or whether a particular thing done by him is goondism or not. In general terms it is often difficult to say when persuasion or pressure becomes coercion or intimidation. The mere holding of a stick or even a lathi by an volunteer cannot be conclusive evidence as it might have been necessary for self-defence against a possible attack. The fear of attack may be ground-

less but on occasions even thinking persons get panicky and take needless precautions. However, there will always be some doubtful cases of coercion. That is, partly, why law presumes a person to be innocent till he is proved guilty and in doubtful cases gives the suspect the benefit of the doubt. In the old bureaucratic regime there were occasions when every case of picketing was penalised by Government as being necessarily coercion or intimidation. Fortunately, at present, in the Congress provinces at any rate, there is much greater regard for man's civil liberties, though in exceptional and extremely doubtful cases Congress Ministers seem inclined to err on the side of public safety, as distinguished from individual rights.

Follow Gandhiji

Assuming that in certain cases the Government must restrict the rights of individuals for the sake of public peace, the question remains how and to what extent they should do so. Non-Congress Governments are still apt to take needlessly drastic measures against agitators. Their intentions may be good but their wrong methods may aggravate the very evil which they intend to extirpate. But as Congress is pledged to non-violence, Mr. Munshi rightly insists that restraints on individual liberty, when necessary, must be "as limited in their scope as practicable under the circumstances." As it is often difficult in particular circumstances to know the limits of restrictive powers, Gandhiji explained the point at some length in a recent article in "Harijan," entitled "Civil Liberty." On the one hand he emphatically declared that Congress Ministers "cannot ignore incitements to violence and manifestly violent speech." On the other hand, he stated as emphatically: "Civil Liberty means the fullest liberty to say and do what one likes within the ordinary law of the land. The word 'ordinary' has been purposely used here. The Penal Code and the Criminal Procedure Code, not to speak of the Special Powers Legislation, contain provisions which the foreign rulers have enacted for their own safety. These provisions can be easily identified, and must be ruled out of operation." One special reason why Special Powers Legislation should be scrupulously "ruled out of operation is that if the 'lawless laws' are used by a Congress Government even once on the plea of emergency, every other Government in India would retain them on the Statute Book on the same plea. Thus a Congress Government will be the cause of perpetuating repressive laws though the Congress itself has condemned them and demanded their immediate repeal. Speaking generally, if Congress Ministers scrupulously follow the suggestions made by Gandhiji and the Congress President, they will have done much to safeguard civil liberty so far as any rate as such safeguarding is possible before India is wholly free.

India Welcomes The Scientists

The arrival of the Delegation of European scientists in this city yesterday marked an unique occasion in the history of Indian science. The visit of so many distinguished savants, of men who have extended the horizon of human knowledge, to this ancient land serves not only as a graceful tribute to their colleagues in this country, but also as an index of the progress made by Indian science within a remarkably short time. The pursuit of modern science is of very recent origin in a country, which throughout the centuries has been mainly interested in solving the riddle of life through abstract, metaphysical reasoning. It has been as much a tribute to as a reproach upon Indian genius that it long concerned itself exclusively with things spiritual and neglected to keep pace with the advance of material knowledge. It is only a few decades ago that Indians began to devote themselves to a systematic study of science. But within this brief period India has already produced a Bose, a Ray and a Raman, who besides earning international renown by their original discoveries, have

blazed the trail for their countrymen. The Silver Jubilee Session of the Indian Science Congress thus promises to be a memorable gathering. It will bring together some of the greatest scientists of the world in the pursuit of common ideals and give a fillip to the study of science in this country. One cannot help referring here to the death of one of the session of two great scientists. The world of science is very much the poorer by the death of Lord Rutherford, who was to have presided at the session, and of Sir Jagdish Chandra Bose, who would have headed the Indian representatives as much on account of his age as of his achievements. It is a great consolation to learn, however, that Lord Rutherford had already prepared his inaugural address before his unexpected death and that it will now be read by Sir James Jean, whose name is as popular among laymen as among scientists. We extend a most cordial welcome to our distinguished guests and trust their sojourn in this country will prove as pleasant to them as it is bound to be profitable to us.

THE WORLD OF FINANCE

Random Jottings
(BY "TODARMAL")

At last the Bombay Share Bazar has collapsed under heavy selling and Bear pressure and Tata Steel Ltds have declined by about Rs. 500 during the last month. There was no adverse development in the steel industry but prices in the local market were unduly kept up very high despite heavy declines in steel shares all over the world markets. The local market was overbought and there was a fairly large accumulation of weak long interest. All these purchases were pressed on an unwilling market and in the absence of any support prices reached low levels. Thus the decline can be justified as it was more of an adjustment to changed conditions but in this process many small and unwary operators were caught and they suffered heavy losses.

Still-born Report

Some of these outside operators found losses beyond their capacity and failed to meet their obligations in full. The local market is known for reckless speculative activities and with a view to check such activities the Government had appointed an Enquiry Committee. The report submitted in last March has been so far without any effect. It appears that those who are in charge of the local Share Bazar are unwilling to improve trading methods and seem to allow professional operators to use the exchange for their personal gains. Outside operators are often exploited by reckless speculative activities of big financial magnates.

Cotton Market

A cable received from Liverpool states that Bombay operators are long of about a million bales in both Liverpool and New York cotton markets and against these purchases they have straddle sales in the local market. On these operations nearly Rs. 10 crores are paid and several leading American cotton merchants are paying visits to Bombay, as local operators are paying handsome commissions to foreign firms. We have a forward market as old as any other in the world but no foreign firm is paying a pie in the way of commission as they have no faith in the local market while local operators are doing extensive business in foreign markets and at times they are controlling prices.

It is now time for the local trade association to improve their methods and if they cannot attract any foreign business at least they must do something to divert business of local operators to local market and save millions. But the custodians of the trade have no time to look into the matter as everybody is busy watching his own business while the interest of the trade being nobody's business is neglected.

Checking Speculation

It is time for the Government to see that speculative activities of a reckless nature which do no good to anybody are checked and men having limited means and resources saved from entering into forward contracts. It is very easy as those who pay in come tax on a particular amount should only be allowed to enter into forward business either in cotton, shares, linseed, wheat or seeds. This will be a boon to thousands who resort to speculation with a view to get rich quick but after experience realise that it is a road to ruin as all markets are managed by professional operators in their own interest and not with any charitable motives.

Silver Outlook

Silver prices were erratic during the week on extensive unloading but scarcity of actual silver in London has resulted in a wide parity. American Treasury is buying forward silver after several years but it appears that they will also reduce the buying price as when silver can be had at a lower price no one would pay unduly high price. Thus the outlook is not encouraging and buyers will do well in keeping aloof.

All markets will be under the influence of approaching Christmas holidays and there will be less activity. Those who have delayed their purchase will be somewhat free buyers during the early days of the next year but as soon as the demand is satisfied there will be renewed weakness in primary markets. Our Share Bazar will be guided by the Budget outlook and rumours will have as usual considerable effect.

PLEA FOR AN INDO-AMERICAN TRADE TREATY

It would appear that 'Trade Pacts' and 'Reciprocal Trade Treaties' are the theme of the day. The most powerful and significant contribution towards that end is the recent announcement of Anglo-American trade negotiations.

It is rightly contended that with the quick means of transportation that are now available, f. off countries are being brought close to each other and isolationist policies and ideas are giving way to broader, all-embracing and international ideas.

Motives Behind British

To witness, here is England prepared to give up or materially reduce the Imperial Preference tariffs in favour of America—and that at the cost of hurting and annoying some of her Colonies and Dominions and virtually nullifying the Ottawa Pact.

That advocate of the theory and slogan, 'Canada first and Empire afterwards', the Hon. Mr. R. B. Bennett, ex-Prime Minister of Canada, according to recent press reports, is already voicing his disapproval of Anglo-American Trade negotiation. But it would appear that England is bent on having a Trade Treaty with America, even though it may hurt the interests of some of her dominions. Why is England so anxious to have a Trade Treaty with America, giving her greater benefits than what she possesses to-day? I make bold to say that there are deeper and far more significant reasons and considerations behind this apparently innocent Trade Pact.

This Pact will have far-reaching effects in the near future on international policies and alliances. England, under the present circumstances, is more than ever anxious to win the 'good will' and 'moral support' of America, to whom the Prime Minister of England only the other day referred as 'the most powerful nation' in the world. England wants all kinds of 'ties' with America, trade and otherwise, and that is why England is prepared to lower her tariff barriers in favour of America.

What is India doing about these Trade Treaties? I gather that the Government of India is negotiating a Trade Pact with Britain. But why Britain only? Why not other countries? Why not America in particular? I plead for a Trade Treaty with America from more than one point of view—one consideration being that such a treaty will change the present status of Indian businessmen in America. Here is the story. In 1924 an Immigration Law was enacted in the United States which bars the free entry and residence in the United States of all Asiatic races. This includes the nationals of India, Japan, China, Siam and some other countries. Nationals of these countries may visit America as tourists, or temporary visitors or students. The students may live in America so long they are 'bona fide' students and are attending some educational institutions. The tourists of the temporary visitors have to get a 'visa' (Section 3-2) from the American Consul and then may get permission to land and stay in America for 6 months. Thereafter they have to apply for the extension of their temporary stay, giving justifiable and cogent reasons for such a request. It is up to the Immigration authorities to grant the application and give an extension or the authorities may ask such a visitor to leave the United States shores within a specific period. And it is under this Section only, that Indian businessmen are permitted to land in America. So an Indian business-

man's status is that of a 'Temporary Visitor' who may stay in the United States only on sufferance and his future stay, irrespective of the nature or urgency of his business, is at the mercy of the Immigration officials. However, by a Trade Treaty with United States, Indian businessmen's status will be changed, as is now the case with Japanese, Chinese and Siamese businessmen, even though they are also ineligible to the citizenship of the United States and are subject to the rest of the Immigration Law restrictions.

Right Of Entry And Residence

Treaties of Commerce grant to the nationals of the countries which are parties to them the right to enter and reside in the United States for the purpose of promoting trade between the United States and such countries. Thus a 'Treaty Merchant', gets a Section 3 (6) visa and upon entering the United States gets permission to stay for the 'duration of the status', which means indefinite period, instead of permission to stay for a limited period, such as six months.

Why India Needs A Pact

The Governments of Japan, China and Siam have concluded such Treaties with the United States. Thus the businessmen of these countries, though originally debarred by the Immigration Law of United States to reside indefinitely in America—as is the case with Indians to-day—may now freely enter and reside in the United States.

As there are no such restrictions against businessmen of the so-called 'White Races' and inasmuch as Chinese, Japanese, Siamese and a few other Asiatic countries, have concluded Trade Treaties with America, it is Indian businessmen alone who are still excluded from the United States and may only enter as 'Temporary Visitors' for limited periods of stay.

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FRANKLY SPEAKING

BENGAL LEADERS' DUTY.

It is gratifying to note that various leaders and associations in Bengal have begun to persuade the Andamans politicians, who have threatened to go on a hunger-strike to refrain from doing so. They rightly point out that the threat is most unfair to Gandhiji, who has worked hard for the prisoners and who is now physically unable to resume his efforts. They point out, too, that they are all working for them in their own ways and impatience can only hinder them. It seems possible that the prisoners do not feel satisfied that all those who call upon them to abandon their hunger-strike will remember their promises after the strike is actually abandoned. The leaders, therefore, should keep up a ceaseless agitation on behalf of the prisoners whether a hunger-strike is on or off.

WHAT IS THAT DEGREE FOR?

Mr. J. K. Birla, a well-known philanthropist, has made a strong protest against the Hindu University's conferring the degree of Doctor of Literature on the Maharaja of Cochin, the objection being mainly on the ground that the Maharaja holds "most reactionary views" and "has done immense harm to Hinduism by his efforts to perpetuate the curse of untouchability." We do not know on what ground the Doctorate is proposed to be conferred on the Maharaja, whose literary achievements, if any, are not known to us. If the degree is a consideration for any pecuniary contribution from him, it very much looks like a sale. If such sales are becoming common, that is the greater pity, but no justification for a travesty—we refrain from using a stronger term—of academic distinctions.

FUTILE REPRESENTATION

The Lahore Chamber of Commerce, following the example of many other business bodies in the

country, has made a representation to the Government of India regretting their decision not to proceed with the departmental inquiry in regard to assistance to small industries against Japanese competition. It is true that just at present owing to the war in the Far East the prices of Japanese goods have risen. But the Chamber rightly urges: "This is only a temporary relief and steps must be taken to protect the interests of Indian industries on a permanent basis. Without such assistance the industry is bound to be crushed and it will increase unemployment. The suspension of an enquiry has spread uneasiness and dissatisfaction in the minds of Indian industrialists and the Committee urge that 'adequate measures be taken by the Government immediately to dispel an idea of such a contingency.' But we doubt if the present Government of India would show for Indian industries that concern which they have consistently shown and are still showing for British industries.

DILATORY TACTICS

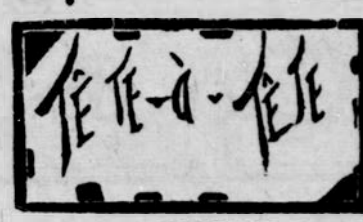
The communication from Delhi to London about the Indo-British Trade Agreement, which has already been needlessly delayed is now reported to have been further delayed by the departure to Lahore of Sir M. Zafrulla member for Commerce. The result is that even if the dispatch is sent next week, the Christmas holidays will prevent London from replying before January. Evidently, neither the Government of India nor the British interests are in any hurry in this matter. For thanks to the accommodation Government of India, the old Ottawa Agreement is kept in force though it has been denounced by the Legislative Assembly and its normal period has expired. Are Indian businessmen going to submit tamely to the Government's flouting of public opinion and their dilatory tactics with regard to the new Agreement?

Overloading Of Motor Lorries

To The Editor of "The Chronicle": Sir,—Thanks are due to "Fair Play" who has so lucidly stated his arguments. There is not the slightest doubt that lorries registered as "private" but carrying on business on hire are the chief source of all the nuisance as regards overloading and the resultant condition of the brakes, etc. The Motor Vehicles Department has it on their records that hundreds of lorries now seen on Bombay roads are sold on hire purchase system. Could any one believe that a merchant of standing and who makes daily turn-over of anything between 700 to 1,000 bags of grain, seeds, etc. (goods worth Rs. 7,000 to Rs. 10,000) would buy a lorry on hire purchase system for the transport of such goods? And do the names and addresses of such "merchants" give any reasons to the Motor Vehicles Department to believe that the lorries so registered are really meant for transport of own goods? The Department concerned badly needs overhauling. I agree with the suggestion made by "Fair Play" that Government would do well to look into the matter.—Yours, etc., NARAIN DAS MUNSHI.

Fast Trains For Dadar

To The Editor of "The Chronicle": Sir,—The Railway Administration has been the recipient of a number of letters of protest since the year 1923 when they discontinued the stoppages of fast local trains at Dadar. These letters pointed out to them in detail the inconvenience caused to Dadar suburban and two route season ticket holders, but the Administration have turned a deaf ear except for stopping three Up and Down fast local trains after great hesitation and reluctance in the year 1935 and two Down trains on Saturdays at noon time from Co-



CHANGHAI, Dec. 18.

Rear Admiral Mitsunami, Chief of the Aerial operations, has been recalled to Tokyo. It is semi-officially stated that he will be relieved of the post in accordance with the Japanese pledge to punish officers responsible for the bombing of "Panay".

Poor Mitsunami! Did he really deserve such severe punishment for possessing a poor eye-sight?

Addressing a gathering at Hyderabad Y. M. C. A. Sir Henry Gidney accused Mahatma Gandhi, the Aga Khan and Mr. Jinnah in the same breath.

How very impartial of the Anglo-Indian Knight!

The leaders of youth movement, said Sir Henry, "loosened this force in wrong directions and instead of leading it in constitutional channels misgued them and lost a golden opportunity of building a reconstructed India."

Is "reconstructed India", by any chance, synonymous with Anglo-India?

As he looked at "this terrible tragedy in India" Sir Henry Gidney felt democracy was a hypothesis.

Well, said—like a true democrat.

The Anglo-Indian Knight saw before him "a political chess-table manipulated by the leaders." He did not care to mention whose pawn is he himself.

"AMERICA TO KEEP STEP WITH BRITAIN"

—Headline.

In other words, they will dance to the same tune.

Asking them to observe "courtesy of the road" the W. I. A. A. President appealed to motorists not to consider themselves "heaven-born" when driving a car.

Nor need they behave like kings of the warmer regions!

It is emphasized in official quarters that "the scheme of Indianization won't in any way be affected by mechanization."

British-made lorries, trucks and tanks to replace Indian-bred mules. Indianization, indeed!

TO-DAY'S PRIZE HOWLERS

(1) The Japanese Government are importing British-made spectacles to be distributed to the Japanese air-men in China to improve their eye-sight.

(2) The "Poonah" colonels view with alarm the scheme to mechanize the Indian army, particularly the proposal to do away with useless mules.

To the address of the Mahomedan Association Lord Brabourne said that he felt that Bengal was in need of sustained effort to think of policies, apart from personalities.

And the Bengal Muslim Leaguers are still trying to figure out whether it was really a compliment that the new Governor paid them.

A British scientist hopes to find a cheap substitute for milk at no distant date.

Our Bombay "dudhwalas" have found it already!

A 19-year-old girl stood in the dock at Plymouth police court in mail week while the story was told of how she started a fire in her home in order to regain the affections of her fiancé.

Mr. John Woodland, defending, said Miss Oldreive was hysterical and highly strung. She was in love.

—News item.

These hysterical lovers!

A physical training expert says that catching colds is quite unnecessary.

We ourselves believe so. But evidently the cold itself doesn't seem to agree.

By the way, isn't it time we stopped talking of "catching cold." In our own case it is always the cold that catches us—in a vice-like grip, too!

tober last. The stoppages of these trains at Dadar have to a little extent mitigated the inconvenience to passengers using Dadar station but more remains to be done for them for their quick and easy transport. In view of the phenomenal development of residential property at Dadar the officials must immediately consider the advisability of halting some additional fast local trains at Dadar.—Yours, etc., JAL J. UNWALLA.

Ahmedabad Labour's Confidence In Textile Committee WILL NOT UPSET ARBITRATION MACHINERY Banker's Plea For 10 To 15 P. C. Increased Wage For Workers

A demand for a ten per cent. increase in the wages of workers who are earning more than Rs. 35 per month; and 15 per cent. in the wages of those earning less than that sum was made as being both fair and easy of fulfilment, by Mr. Sankarlal G. Banker, the spokesman of the Ahmedabad Textile Labour Association, in the course of his evidence before the Textile Inquiry Committee on Friday.

Confidence In Committee
MR. BANKER ALSO REITERATED HIS CONFIDENCE IN THE INQUIRY COMMITTEE AND STATED THAT THE LABOUR ASSOCIATION DID NOT REGARD THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMITTEE AS IN ANY WAY UPSETTING THE ARBITRATION MACHINERY IN FORCE IN AHMEDABAD. NOT ONLY DID THEY WANT TO STRENGTHEN IT; AND THEY DID NOT FEEL THAT THAT MACHINERY WAS IN ANY WAY SUPERSEDED BY THE INQUIRY COMMITTEE.

AHMEDABAD EVIDENCE
Both the Textile Labour Association and the Mill Kamdar Union of Ahmedabad gave evidence before the Committee on Friday. The Labour Association was represented by Ansuayaben Sarabhai, Messrs. S. P. Dave, A. Pandya and Mr. N. H. Shaik with Mr. Sankarlal Banker as the spokesman. The Kamdar Union was represented by Messrs. Maganlal Patel, S. A. Dange and Jalaluddin Bhukari.

Answering questions put by Mr. Jai Ramdas Doulatram, the Chairman of the Inquiry Committee, Mr. Sankarlal Banker said that the membership of the Union was approximately 24,000. For a number of years the disputes between the workers and the millowners were being settled by an Arbitration Board. The Labour Union was co-operating with the Committee; but that did not mean the abandonment of the machinery of arbitration. The Labour Association was as eager about the maintenance of the arbitration machinery as anybody else but they did not feel that the work of the Enquiry Committee would amount to intervention with the work of arbitration. The faith of the Labour Association in arbitration was not affected by the Committee. The objective of the arbitration board was to settle disputes without resort to stoppage of work and the work of the Committee would only help them in the achievement of that objective.

Proceeding Mr. Banker pointed out that a representative of the Textile Labour Association as well as a representative of the Millowners' Association were functioning on the Committee. If the Government arrived at any decision on the recommendations of the Committee, he did not expect there would be any appeal against the decision. On behalf of the Textile Labour Association Mr. Banker pledged full co-operation with the Committee.

DROP IN COTTON PRICES
Proceeding Mr. Banker urged

aridisation had been planned on a country wide scale.

Witness was asked if there was a strong enough case for a general wage adjustment in view of the fact that ordinarily there was a tendency for prices to get back to parity and their claim was based on an extra-marginal profit which would be temporary. Mr. Banker answered that that there were circumstances which were likely to make the fall in prices permanent. He promised to submit a further statement explaining why he thought cotton prices would remain low, without dragging down the prices of cloth at the same time. Even if there was not a steady upward trend of profit, they should get a bonus distribution for even shorter spurts of prosperity. But he submitted that the underlying idea of their demand for general wage increase was only a restoration to 1923 level of wages. They had suffered a heavy cut of 15 per cent. since 1923; in 1928 there was a partial restoration of five to eight per cent., but there was later a cut of 6-1/4 per cent. They wanted, at least, to get back what they had lost.

FOR NIGHT ALLOWANCE.
Mr. Banker also claimed the payment of a 10 per cent. special allowance for night shift. Night work was more uncomfortable and more exhausting. Since 1930 they used to get a night allowance and in certain cases night allowance had been taken away only very recently.

Mr. S. A. Brevil referred to a statement made by the Millowners' Association asserting that the results of a series of years should be taken into consideration before giving any general wage increase and asked witness if he did not agree with that proposition. Witness answered that while that was a desirable principle to follow there might be abnormal circumstances when one could not conform to it. He gave the instance of the demand for wage cut made by the Millowners' Association themselves in September 1933 on the ground that it was a lean year though the preceding year had been a peak year. But this demand had been turned down by the arbitrators.

Replying to further questions put by Mr. Brevil, witness explained that the figure of Rs. 40 lakhs, which was claimed to be excess margin, by them, was arrived at by taking the prices of cotton from July to November with Broach as the basis. The total consumption was assumed at the figure for the last year. Actually with the increase in night shifts the consumption for 1937 must have increased. In 1936, there were 12,600 workers on night shift on a monthly average; in 1937 the figure would work out at 26,900. Even if any possible increase in consumption was overlooked the price fall alone was from Rs. 50 to Rs. 60.

NO TRADE SECRETS
With reference to a statement made by the Millowners' Association, that they did not like to give away certain trade secrets, the witness said that it may not be painful to them to disclose these secrets, but from the point of view of the advancement of knowledge and benefit to the industry as a whole there should be no such secrets.

Witness also stated that the wages should not go below a living minimum. If this Committee had not been appointed they would have certainly brought up their demand for an increase before the arbitration board.

Mr. Banker also averred that as long as there was gross profit there should be no wage cut. As depreciation was being allowed on the machinery he thought it equally necessary that the human machinery should be kept in good condition.

Low wages in other occupations could be no argument for wage cuts in the textile industry. On the other hand, the wages in other occupations should be raised. In reply to Mr. Brevil, Mr. Banker agreed that it was upto the textile industry as being the largest and most protected industry to take an initiative in the matter of fixing a minimum living wage.

Mr. V. L. Mehta wanted to know the percentage of foreign cotton that was being used in the Ahmedabad mills in order to correctly evaluate the profit due to fall in cotton prices. Mr. Banker suggested that it would not reduce the profits because, though 20 to 25 per cent. of foreign cotton was used in Ahmedabad, the prices of foreign cotton had fallen even more than the prices of Broach cotton.

CALCULATION OF DEPRECIATION

Mr. Mehta also asked how depreciation was calculated. Witness answered that the Millowners had stated during arbitration proceedings that five per cent. should be allowed as depreciation; but the actual figure from the Balance sheets would work out at 2.7 per cent. The proper

figure could only be arrived at after examination by engineers. He urged that depreciation on old machinery on which depreciation had been fully allowed, should not be permitted.

Answering another question witness stated that there was no fixed or constant relationship between the prices of cotton and cloth but the present disparity was very marked and noticeable.

Questioned by Mr. Khandubhai Desai, witness stated that even if the fall in the price of cotton was not going to be permanent, as stated by the Millowners' Association, it did not affect their calculation of possible profits, because they had taken the price of cotton at 174, whereas the price at present was only 166. Not till the price went past 174 would the argument of the millowners hold good. The present tendency of the market was for cotton prices to go further down. The surplus profits earned by the millowners during these months would be sufficient to cover the demands of the labourers for two or three years and even if it did not last so long, they could easily resort to the arbitration machinery for a reduction of wages.

NIGHT-SHIFT WORKERS' EARNINGS

In reply to a question why earnings of day shift workers went down when night shift was introduced, witness said that it was because the workers left the machinery in an unclean condition. Witness also accepted suggestion of Mr. Desai that it may be due to maladjustment of various processes, and also the difficulty in engaging winders, mostly women, on night shift resulting in shortage of bobbins.

To Mr. Sakarlal Balabhai witness reiterated that the inquiry by the Committee did not really affect the arbitration machinery. What arbitration could achieve it should, and when other bodies gave help, such help should be welcome.

Mr. Banker also said that increase in wages should be given in a way to help standardization should not be held up on the plea that there should be standardization first. Increase would not impede the process of standardization. The process of standardization would lead to certain wage adjustments that might give rise to grievances but that problem had to be faced. Further, he asserted that the higher the wage, the higher the efficiency and the higher the profit.

NO INFERIOR TO FOREIGNER
Replying to Mr. Khedgikar, witness said that the introduction of rationalization had increased the earnings of individual workers and had not adversely affected their health. Witness did not think that man for man, the Indian worker was inferior to any foreign worker, but he worked not so well because he was not fed properly, he was not paid properly and he was not trained properly.

In answer to questions put by Mr. S. D. Saklatwala, witness pointed out that the Committee would not supersede the Arbitration Board, just as any legislative enactment would not supersede it. The decisions of the Legislature had legal sanction behind it and the decisions of the Committee would have a moral sanction.

Mr. Banker said that he would request the Millowners not to encroach on the minimum needs of the workers and if the industry fell so low as to encroach on the capital it was the duty of workmen to come forward and help it.

The summary of the case presented by the Mill Kamdar Union is that the wages of workers over the last 15 years had been reduced by 25 per cent. under the Delhi Agreement. As a result of the recent strike certain percentage of this cut had been restored but not to the full extent, nor in all the mills that had carried out the cut. Therefore, they pressed, in the first instance, for the restoration of the 1935 level and thereafter for a 25 per cent. increase all round.

UNAUTHORISED CUTS
Replying to questions Mr. Maganlal gave an account of the various unauthorised cuts that they were subjected to. He also stated that on account of the shift-system, women had been thrown out of employment and the family income had gone down. He confirmed the statement made in writing that child labour was employed in several mills.

At this stage the Committee adjourned to Monday at 12 noon when representatives of Bombay Millowners would be further examined.

Domestic Occurrence

DEATH

MODY—Mr. Jamsheji Nusserwanji Mody, proprietor, Brandon and Co. and also Croft Mody and Co., son-in-law of late Mr. Hormasji Bepooji Gujar and nephew of late Mr. Kishorji J. Mody, died of riding accident at 1-20 a.m. Funeral to-day at 4 p.m. from Beach House, 44, Nepean Sea Road. Uthama ceremony on Sunday.

DEATH FOR CARRYING REVOLVER

Palestine Military Court Gives Life Sentences For Eight Others

JERUSALEM, Dec. 17.
An Arab fisherman was sentenced to death by the Military Court here for carrying a revolver. Out of nine of his relatives charged with being accessories and resisting police, eight were given life sentences and fourteen-year-old boy to one year's imprisonment.

4 ARABS KILLED

Many Injured In Encounter With Troops

JERUSALEM, December 16.
Four Arabs were killed and a number wounded when troops encountered an armed Arab gang on the hills near Tulkaram. There have been no casualties among the troops.—Reuter.

SIKHS AND EMPIRE PEACE

Lady Abbas Ali Baig's Tribute At Naming Of Destroyer

LONDON, Dec. 17.
The play played by the Punjab in maintaining peace in the Empire and other parts of the world was recalled by Lady Abbas Ali Baig at Glasgow when naming H.M.S. destroyer "Sikh". Lady Abbas referred to the 89,000 Sikhs, who fought in the war and said the memory of Sikhs' gallantry at the British Residency at Addis Ababa was still green. Hundreds of Sikhs were at present standing by in China protecting and safeguarding peace.—Reuter.

FAMOUS ROYAL ACADEMICIAN DEAD

LONDON, Dec. 17.
The death has occurred of Mr. Glynn Philipps, the famous Royal Academician.—Reuter.

Mario Stoppani's For Long Distance Flight

ROME, Dec. 17.
Sgr. Mario Stoppani announced that he will attempt a long distance flight from Cadix shortly.—Reuter.

ANDAMANS REPATRIATES IN BIHAR

PATNA, Dec. 17.
Government have passed an order releasing Gulari Sonar, an Andaman's prisoner lodged in the Hazaribagh jail after repatriation. Gulari Sonar was convicted along with Jogendra Sukul and others in the Maulana dacoity case and sentenced to ten years' imprisonment. It may be noted that out of 15 Bihar prisoners repatriated from the Andamans 8 have been released so far. It is understood that the Bihar Government are considering the desirability of releasing the remaining prisoners as early as possible.—United Press.

OVERSEAS SCIENTISTS

Dinner At Willingdon Sports Club

The Vice-Chancellor of the University of Bombay and the Reception Committee organised under the auspices of the University for the reception of the Overseas Delegation to the Indian Science Congress on Friday night gave a dinner in honour of the delegation at the Willingdon Sports Club at which a distinguished gathering was present.

KHWAJA HASAN NIZAMI IN BOMBAY

Khwaja Hasan Nizami Delhi arrived in Bombay on Friday by the Punjab Mail and was received at the Victoria Terminus by his friends, and admirers including Munshi Pate Khan, Editor of the "Inayat", Haji Muhammad Usman, Abdul Ghani and the members of the Bahadur Shah Durgha Trust of Rangoon, at present on a visit to Bombay. Khwaja Hasan Nizami is staying at Pir Ibrahim's guest at his bungalow and will probably stay upto 30th instant.

KARACHI, Dec. 17.

Enquiries about the progress of the transfer of Naval Boys Training Establishment to Karachi showing that the designs of various buildings are now under preparation in consultation with the defence section and the construction work is expected to commence next April.—A.P.

ROOSEVELT ON DECLARATION OF WAR

(Continued from page 1.)
Hongkong are constructing observation posts at vital points on the Sino-British frontier. These will remain unmanned at present, but the Rajput Battalion will take up positions there in the event of an emergency.—Reuter.

ACCEPT JAPAN'S APOLOGY

Duff Cooper's Plea Against Drastic Action

LONDON, December 16.
Referring to the Yangtze incident in a speech in London Mr. Duff Cooper said that all deplored the fearful occurrences during the last week-end when innocent neutrals were killed and wounded. "They were sent to their death it could only have been due to ineptitude or indiscipline of the troops that fired on them." Referring to the Japanese apology he added that we should accept the full apology and hope that necessary steps would indeed be taken to prevent repetition of such disaster, remembering that this was not the first disaster of its kind that had taken place since the hostilities began. In times of war fever possessed not only those who were engaged in it but also the witnesses of it; therefore it would be wise to be careful at such a time and say or do nothing which was likely to send up the temperature of either side.—Reuter.

BRITISH NOTE TO JAPAN

Tone Is More Energetic Than Expected

PARIS, Dec. 17.
The tone of the British Note to Tokyo has pleased political observers here, who are glad to find that it is more energetic than expected. It is felt the tone cannot fail to impress the Japanese that they should be careful not to try British patience too far.—Reuter.

JAPANESE BATTLESHIP ATTACKED

HANKOW, Dec. 17.
In view of the anticipated invasion of South China Marshal Chiang Kai Shek has ordered the military authorities in Kwantung province to prepare for war. Meanwhile three Japanese warships which steamed up the Yangtze were attacked by shore batteries at Anking capital of Anhwei province.—Reuter.

GENERAL YANGHU EXECUTED

SHANGHAI, December 17.
It is learned General Yanghu, Garrison Commander in Shanghai-Woosung area, until the withdrawal of the Chinese forces was executed at Hankow. According to a Chinese Press reports Yanghu, who is a veteran member of the Kuomintang, was shot on the orders of Marshal Chiang Kai Shek on charges of corruption and failing to carry out military orders.—Reuter.

NO MACHINEGUNS FIRED 'PANAY'

Replies To British And American Notes

TOKIO, December 17.
That "Panay" was sailing alone with no other ships in the neighbourhood was among the surprising statements made by a foreign office spokesman at a Press Conference, though the spokesman subsequently qualified the statement by admitting that twelve Chinese junks were at some distance away. The spokesman flatly denied that surface craft fired machineguns at "Panay." Asked when the Japanese replies to the British and American Notes are likely to be ready, the spokesman observed that the Japanese Note of apology was handed before the United States Note was presented. Therefore, it was not yet decided whether another Note would be sent or whether substantial answer was necessary as the first Note might be deemed satisfactory. It was not yet decided whether a satisfactory answer would be given to the British Note.—Reuter.

JAP THREAT TO NANCHANG

Hurried Evacuation Follows

HANKOW, December 17.
Japanese planes dropped leaflets over Nanchang, the Capital of Kiangsi, threatening to wipe out the City from the air. Expecting intensive raids the populace are hurriedly evacuating the City, all roads leading from

U. S. Journalist Arrested In Moscow

Suspected As Trotskyist; Capital Punishment Likely

MOSCOW, Dec. 16.
The arrest of Robinson, the American journalist, is confirmed by the "Izvestia", which publishes Washington's statement that Mr. Robinson appeared to have assumed the name and obtained United States' passports by a false statement. Suggesting the affair is connected with the American Trotskyists the paper says that investigations are progressing with a view to charging them with illegally entering the country and adds the penalty for this offence is imprisonment for a year, but the circumstance establishing a "prima facie" case of Trotskyist espionage may lead to capital sentence.—Reuter.

AMERICA TO KEEP STEP WITH BRITAIN

Measures Against Japanese Policy Of Aggression

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.
The official reports stated to describe the deliberate nature of the attack on "Panay" and the machine-gunning of the survivors, which are flowing into the State Department will ensure United States continuing to keep step with Britain in connection with the Far-Eastern crisis, it is considered here. Diplomatic quarters suggest that Japanese policy after these grave happenings will concentrate on breaking up the Anglo-American community of interests, if possible.—Reuter.

FRENCH BUDGET FOR 1938

PARIS, Dec. 17.
At the close of an all-night sitting the Chamber passed the 1938 budget on first reading by 547 votes to 25. After final rectification the budget figures stand at revenue 54600 million francs expenditure 54519 million.—Reuter

DUTY ON NEWS-PRINT

Reduced To Rs. 2 On Cwt.

NEW DELHI, Dec. 17.
A notification announcing a reduction of duty on newsprint in sheets, says that in July last the Government of India reduced the import duty on newsprint in reels from 25 per cent. 'ad valorem' to a specific duty, which was calculated to restore the duty on such paper to its average level in 1936. Newsprint in sheets was already assessed on tariff valuation based on the 1936 prices and two kinds of newsprint had been receiving similar treatment. If the tariff valuation applicable to newsprint in sheets had been revised with effect from January 1 under ordinary procedure it would be necessary to increase it because the average value of such paper was higher in 1937 than in 1936. In order that such paper may continue to bear approximately the same amount of duty on at present the Government of India have issued a notification in the Gazette of India, dated 18-12-37 reducing from that date the import duty to two rupees for cwt. on printing paper of all sorts, not in reels (excluding chrome, marble flint, poster, stereo and art paper) white or grey.

At the same time this item has been omitted from the new list of tariff values fixed for 1938.—A.P.

TARIFF BOARD TO RE-EXAMINE

NEW DELHI, Dec. 17.
The protection afforded to the paper and paper pulp and the heavy chemical industries expires on March 31, 1939 and the Government of India have now requested the Tariff Board to re-examine the question of protection enjoyed by these industries and report to what protective measures (if any) should be continued after March 31, 1939. In regard to the paper and paper pulp industries if the Tariff Board is satisfied in the course of its investigation, that the Revenue Surcharge on paper protection duties is no longer justifiable, it will be at liberty to make its recommendations on that behalf in advance of its main report.—A. P.

which are choked with refugees carrying their meagre belongings.

Reuter.



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Geneva Conventions And India

I. L. O. CHIEF MEETS LABOUR LEADERS

Plea To Move Congress Cabinet To Secure Progressive Labour Legislation

CALCUTTA, Dec. 17. Mr. Harold Butler, Director of the International Labour Office who reached Calcutta this morning met several prominent persons interested in Labour movement in this province at an informal conference at the Labour Minister's Office in the Government Secretariat this afternoon, when views were exchanged on several issues affecting the interests of Indian Labour with special reference to the various Geneva conventions passed from time to time.

It is understood that Mr. Butler assured the Labour leaders at the outset that he had come to get a first hand idea of the condition of Labour in this country and also to see more of the Geneva Conventions being adopted by the Government of India and proper legislation are undertaken with regard to those Conventions, which have already been ratified.

MOVE CONGRESS CABINET. It is further learnt that members of the Trade Union Congress including Mr. Shivanth Banerjee and Mr. N. Dutt Majumdar suggested that Mr. Butler should meet the Congress Working Committee and convince them of the benefits of the Geneva Conventions to Indian Labour so that the Working Committee might issue directions to the Congress Ministries in the seven, out of eleven provinces to frame legislations on the basis of those Conventions. If the seven Provinces uniformly legislate on those lines, they contended, the remaining four Provinces would also fall into line in no time.

Mr. Butler's attention was also drawn to the difficulties put in the way of even registered Unions functioning in this Province by declaring them as Communist Unions and withholding recognition from them on that plea. The fact that the Trades Disputes Act, though passed in 1929, had not been enforced even for once until now, was also mentioned.

DIFFICULT PROBLEM. Regarding the problem arising out of the recent move for rationalisation on the part of the mill-owners by means of introduction of high-speed machinery, Mr. Butler is reported to have opined that as a rule Government could not interfere with the millowners' choice of machinery but at the same time agreed that increase in unemployment, which would necessarily result from the operation of high-speed machinery in jute mills and other manufacturing concerns, would certainly give rise to a difficult problem for every Government to tackle.

Those participating in to-day's conference included Messrs. N. M. Joshi, B. Shiva Rao, Mrinal Kanti Bose, K. C. Roy Choudhury, Shivanth Banerjee, N. Dutt Majumdar and Dr. Suresh Banerjee.—United Press.

CALCUTTA 'VARSITY EMBLEM CONTROVERSY

Echo Of Move In Bengal Assembly For Withholding Budget Grant

CALCUTTA, December 17. The "United Press" understands that the Calcutta University has been requested to nominate three or four persons to represent it at a conference proposed to be convened by the Bengal Government and President will be held on January 3, at the residence of the Hon. Mr. Bulusu Sambamurthy, Speaker of the Madras Assembly.—United Press.

It is gathered that other persons who would be invited to participate in this conference will include representatives of the different parties in the Bengal Legislative Assembly and the Bengal Legislative Council.

It may be recalled that this emblem of the Calcutta University was the subject matter of an acrimonious debate during the last session of the Bengal Assembly, some prominent members of the Muslim Coalition Party even going to the length of moving that

CONGRESS SPEAKERS AND PRESIDENTS

Preliminary Conference Will Be Held At Madras On Jan. 3.

NEW DELHI, Dec. 17. It is learnt that preliminary to the Conference of the Speakers and Presidents of the Provincial Assemblies and Councils to be held at New Delhi on January 6, a conference of the Congress Speakers and Presidents will be held on January 3, at the residence of the Hon. Mr. Bulusu Sambamurthy, Speaker of the Madras Assembly.—United Press.

the entire grant sanctioned for the University in the budget estimates for the current financial year be withheld.

The Hon. Mr. A. K. Fazlul Huq, Prime Minister, who also holds the portfolio of education then assured the House that he would arrange a sort of a Round Table Conference of representatives of the Government, the Calcutta University and the different parties in the Upper and Lower Houses of the Legislature.—United Press.

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WRESTLING AT AZAD MAIDAN

Imambux To Meet Shabbuddin To-morrow

INTERESTING BOUTS TO-DAY

The Secretary, the Khadi and Swadeshi Exhibition, Azad Maidan, writes:—

TO-DAY'S BOUTS. The programme of wrestling bouts for to-day, Saturday, at 8-30 p.m. will be as under:—

Sardar Khan Pahlawan (International Tournament) v. Sadrud-din (Gunga's brother).

Tukaram Pahlawan (Poona) v. Chandan (Gunga's disciple).

Dagdu (Bombay) v. Sadashiv (Poona).

Hassu (son of Imam Bux) v. Bijli (Gaiwadi, Bombay).

Azam (son of Imam Bux) v. Hava (Gaiwadi, Bombay).

A Season Tickets:—12/8. Daily Tickets:—11/4, 5/10, 3/6, 2/4, 1/2, As. 9.

The Committee has all rights to change the rates.

Tickets can be had daily at Congress House, Girgaum, Swadeshi Exhibition, Azad Maidan, Pandit Rajaram Trivedi (Kalbadevi).

ON SUNDAY. Shabbuddin Pahlawan of Lalpur has challenged Imambux (Rustam-e-Hind) and there will be a bout between the two on Sunday, 19-12-37 at 8-30 p.m.

ON MONDAY. Master Dinanath the well-known musician of Gujarat will give a performance on Monday, the 20th December at 8-30 p.m. at the Exhibition Theatre.

Non-stop cycling eighty hours at the Exhibition grounds beginning from 8 a.m. on Wednesday, 22nd December at 9-30 p.m.

Vijaya Honawar the well-known dancer and her party will give a dancing performance at the Exhibition Theatre.

Sunday 26th, Gunga, the great Pahlawan, will meet Hamida of Gama party.

MAHARASHTRA CHALLENGE. The Muslim Mass Contact Committee are authorised to announce that Abdul Sattar Pahlawan of Berar has thrown a challenge to the Champion Wrestlers at the Azad Maidan and to meet Hamida, who has beaten Pahlawan Venkappa Burud of Kolhapur. He challenges that he is next to Venkappa in Deccan Maharashtra and nobody can claim championship of Maharashtra unless he is beaten.

Abdul Sattar is of 22 years of age, his weight is 3½ Bengali maunds i.e. 20 stones and his height is 6ft. 3 inches.

TEA PARTY TO WRESTLERS

Khalsa College Principal Congratulates Guests

The Sikh Youth League, Bombay held a pleasant function last Sunday evening at the All India Hotel when they entertained for tea several prominent wrestlers from their native province. The company included Harbars Singh the Champion and several other potential stars like, Santa Singh, Jawala Singh, Kartar Singh.

The proprietor of All India Hotel, Sardar Atar Singh Bedi, had lent his drawing room for the occasion, and after tea and refreshments Sardar Kashmiri Singh M.A. Principal Khalsa College felicitated the guests on their great achievements in the world of wrestling.

The party broke up after Sardar Sohan Singh of Alcock Ashdown had garlanded the guests.

Over 500 Muslim Women Visit "El Medina"

On the invitation of the Scindia Steam Navigation Company over 500 Muslim women visited "El Medina", the Haj pilgrimage boat on Friday evening. The guests were served with refreshments.

CONGRESS SUCCESS

Deochand Shaha Elected Nipani Municipal President

(From A Correspondent) NIPANI, (By Mail)

The meeting of the General Board of Nipani Municipality held on November 15th, 1937, for president's election being declared invalid, by the Collector of Belgaum, owing to the unavoidable absence of Mr. Kothiwale, the retiring President a fresh meeting was convened on the 11th instant, when Mr. Deochand Shaha, Congress member was elected President unanimously.

CONSCRIPTION OF RATE-PAYERS?

CALCUTTA, Dec. 17. It is understood that a Congress member of the Calcutta Corporation has given notice of a resolution urging the Government of India to give full military training at least for three months a year with full military equipments to the citizens and rate-payers of Calcutta between the ages of 21 and 50 in view of "the world's situation rapidly drifting towards war."

The resolution may come up for discussion at the next meeting of the Corporation.—A. P.

MUSLIMS GET 25 PER CENT

Allotment Of Calcutta Corporation Posts To Minorities

CALCUTTA, Dec. 17. The Calcutta Corporation meeting to-night decided to allot a certain percentage of the Corporation appointments for Mahomedans and other minority communities and directed its Chief Executive Officer and the Services Committee that for three years from January next, 25 per cent. of the Corporation appointments should be given to Bengali Mahomedans, 5 per cent. to Scheduled Castes and 2½ per cent. to other minority communities of Bengal.

TRIBUTE TO CONGRESS. Speakers on behalf of the Muslim community appreciating this friendly gesture of the Congress Party, who sponsored the resolution, hoped that the decision would promote goodwill and mutual understanding between the communities and help the growth of nationalism in the country.—A. P.

CONGRESSMAN ACQUITTED AFTER PROTRACTED TRIAL

JUBBULPORE, Dec. 17. After a protracted trial lasting for several months Mr. Swarajya Chandra Verma, a young Congressman, who was first arrested in connection with an off-shoot of the Jubbulpore armed motor dacoity committed in March last, but later tried under the Arms Act on a charge of possessing a gun without licence, was acquitted.—United Press.

Young Muslim Brotherhood's Reception To Congress Cabinet

Under the auspices of the Young Muslim Brotherhood, a reception will be given to Ministers and their colleagues of the Bombay Congress Cabinet, to-day (Saturday) at 6-30 p.m. at Jinnah Hall, Dr. K. A. Hameed, M.L.C., will preside.

"C. R." To Open Health Ministers' Conference

MADRAS, Dec. 17. It is learnt that the Hon. Mr. C. Rajagopalachari, Premier, will open the Health Ministers' Conference to be held at the Madras Secretariat on December 29.—United Press.

"ORIENTAL" FORGES AHEAD

All-Round Progress In Triennium (1934-36) Revealed

The following are extracts from the report on the Valuation of the Assets and Liabilities of the Oriental Government Security Life Assurance Company, Ltd., as at 31st December 1936:—

The Consulting Actuary has presented his report on the 21st Triennium (1934-36) under review, its oldest Indian Proprietary Office transacting Life Assurance Business. It is much the largest and strongest of all the Indian Life Assurance Companies.

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For the fourth Valuation Report in succession the new business completed in the Triennium has surpassed all previous figures in the history of the Company. The increase in the year 1936 was the highest ever recorded.

There was a progressive increase both in premiums and interest in each year of the Triennium 1934-1936.

Notwithstanding the Quetta Earthquake, which cost the Company about Rs. 2,50,000 in death claims on 90 lives, the ratio of the actual claims in the Triennium to the expected claims for which provision had been made compared favourably with the ratio of the preceding Triennium.

The Ratios of the Commission and Expenses of Management to the Premiums (excluding Considerations for Annuities) were 22.8 for the Triennium 1934-36 and 21.4 for the previous Triennium (1931-33).

The accretion of New Business for the Triennium has been very large, and, as the cost incurred in the acquisition of New Business is generally very heavy, a considerable addition to the Expense Ratio might have been anticipated. The actual increase, however, is comparatively small and the Company is to be congratulated on the moderate cost at which its rapidly expanding new business is obtained. It has always been the aim of the Management to keep the expenses within the lowest bounds consistent with efficiency.

The average Rates of Interest, less Income Tax deducted at source, at which the Life Assurance Funds were accumulated during the Triennium were:—

Year Net rate of Interest Per Cent.
1934 5.05
1935 4.97
1936 4.70

The Funds of the Company are represented by first class securities. In conformity with the rules of the Company the greater portion of the Funds is invested in Indian Government Securities and the balance is invested in carefully selected securities of the highest standing.

At 31st December, 1936, the difference between the aggregate Market Values and the aggregate Book Values of the Company's Investments in Stock Exchange Securities amounted to more than Rs. 441 lakhs. At the date of the 1936 Annual Report (21st April, 1937), the amount of the Appreciation had contracted to approximately Rs. 299 lakhs.

The following is a statement of the combined Life Assurance Funds and Contingencies Reserve Fund at the end of the last three Valuation periods, showing also the amount by which these Funds have increased:—

At end of Life Assurance Triennium and Contingencies Reserve Fund.

Rs. Rs.
1928-30 10,05,65,529
1931-33 13,96,97,109 3,91,31,580

The Valuation was made on the basis of interest at 3-1/4 per cent. a mean being taken between a Valuation at 3 per cent. and a Valuation at 3-1/2 per cent., thus providing a reasonable margin between the net rate of interest earned by the Funds and the rate of interest assumed in the Valuation.

Apart altogether from the special sums credited to the Life Assurance Funds in the 1934-36 Triennium, the addition in that Triennium is the largest in the history of the Company.

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Triennium ended	New Business	Premium and other Income	Profits Declared	Funds
31st December, 1933	Rs. 18,32,87,884	Rs. 8,55,17,451	Rs. 1,51,37,441	Rs. 14,30,04,536
31st December, 1936	Rs. 26,78,62,406	Rs. 11,10,46,106	Rs. 1,87,07,892	Rs. 19,35,44,248

Bonuses declared on the Company's Participating Policies out of the Profits of the last 15 years aggregate Rs. **360** per thousand on Whole Life Policies and Rs. **288** per thousand on Endowment Assurance Policies.

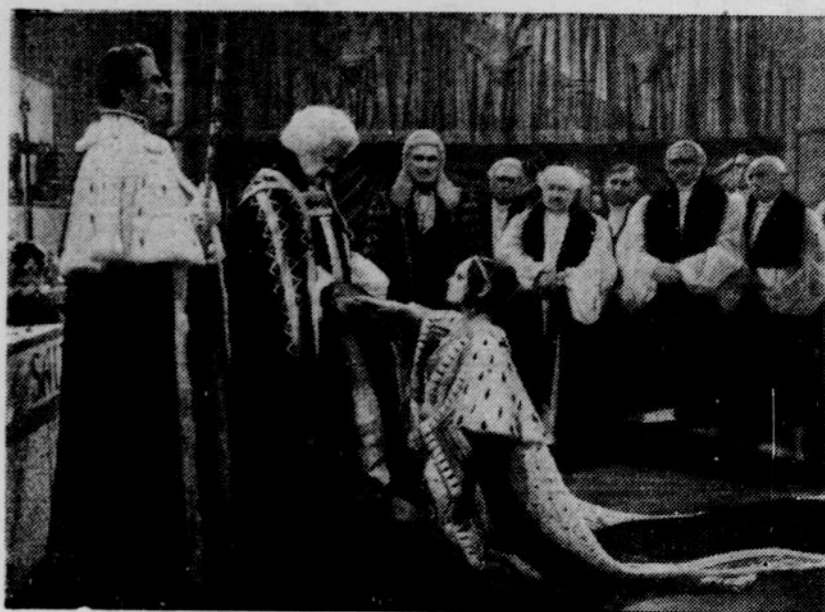
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FILM FARE FOR THE WEEK



'Victoria the Great' at Regal.

"Victoria The Great" Stays At The Regal

To Herbert Wilcox, top-flight British producer, who is responsible for the making of "Victoria The Great" RKO Radio's picture, visualizing the romance and reign of the queen who occupied the English Throne for the longest period in its history, belongs the credit of being the first director to introduce Hollywood names into English pictures. Early in his picture career Mr. Wilcox was quick to perceive the superiority of American film-making methods, as contrasted with the more conservative and slower schedules used by his British colleagues. Both in the production and exhibition of pictures, he proceeded to follow the quicker line of action and more daring experiments which distinguished film production in the United States. That he succeeded brilliantly is now a matter of cinema record, but at first the English critics were slightly aghast over what they considered a reckless departure from time-honoured methods.

When Mae Marsh was at the height of her career, Wilcox brought her to England at a salary of 5,000 dollars a week. That was something altogether unprecedented in the "right little tight little island," and predictions were freely made that Wilcox was headed for disaster. That prophecy fell flat, however, as did the forebodings expressed by those who witnessed the coming of Dorothy Gish, Betty Blythe, Will Rogers, Pauline Frederick, Lionel Barrymore, and others of screen celebrity to enlist under the Wilcox banner. For in each and every case Wilcox's pictures, with their imported registered box office hits. Undoubtedly the most ambitious Wilcox production up-to-date is "Victoria The Great". It is not only magnificent from a spectacular and historical angle,

but sheds an entirely new light upon the personal life of the queen, in girlhood and as a young matron, happy in the love of the husband to whom she was so deeply attached. Historians in painting the career of the great queen have established the figure of a woman of keen intelligence, occupying herself with affairs of State, scoring diplomatic triumphs and at all times asserting the power and dignity of the Crown. They have dwelt on the sombre, black-clad "Widow of Windsor" in the long period of self-enforced seclusion which followed her twenty years of happy wedded life, when the death of the Prince Consort plunged her into the depths of events of state that followed her return as an active factor in the government of the people. But few realized the Victoria's romance with Albert deserved rating with the most ardent love affairs of the ages. It is this point that is unvalued in the new Wilcox picture, with the result that there is a wealth of human interest and heart appeal in "Victoria the Great" quite apart from the film's wide-sweeping view of the stirring public happenings in the queen reign.

While he was making pictures with Jack Buchanan he made the acquaintance of Anna Neagle, then a stage dancer, who, under the Wilcox guidance has since become England's leading screen artiste, and is now the Queen in "Victoria the Great" a performance declared by critics to be the finest offering she has made to the screen. Anton Walbrook, brilliant international stage and screen personality, plays opposite Miss Neagle, as Albert Prince Consort. H. B. Warner and Walter Rilla fill prominent roles. There are fifty-six speaking parts in the picture, and over five thousand extras were employed in its making.

"MY DEAR MISS ALDRICH"

Hilarious Comedy At The Wellington

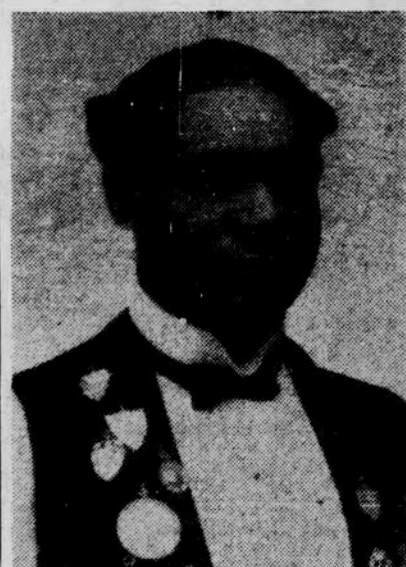
The equality of women gets better than an even break in "My Dear Miss Aldrich," the amusing comedy which Metro-Goldwyn Mayer provides at the Wellington this week.

With Edna May Oliver, Maureen O'Sullivan and Walter Pidgeon topping a first-rate cast, this picture ranks as one of the better laugh films of the age. It tells the story of a school teacher who inherits a newspaper. The managing editor, strong in the belief that no woman is fitted for work beyond the home, attempts to block her at every turn until, of course, he falls in love with her.

Miss O'Sullivan has just been selected to co-star with Robert Taylor in London in "A Yank at Oxford." Pidgeon, in reward for his excellent acting, has been signed to a long-term Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer contract.

Every member of the cast excels in his respective role. Edna May Oliver appears as a puzzle addict, in the most humorous role of her brilliant career. J. Farrell MacDonald, the veteran character actor, is a city editor. Janet Beecher is a militant feminist. Others in the cast are Rita Johnson, Roger Converse, Brent Sargent, Charles Waldron, Guinn Williams and Paul Harvey. George Seitz has performed a masterful job of direction.

The story is entirely plausible and the newspaper atmosphere is authentic. The audience thoroughly enjoyed "My Dear Miss Aldrich" and gave enthusiastic evidence of it.



Prof. N. Ghose, M. C. L. (London) the Bengali magician who has been exhibiting his skill at the Capitol.

£200,000 Of Famous Actor

It is believed that Sir Johnston Forbes-Robertson, the famous actor-manager who died on November 6, left about £200,000—one of the largest fortunes ever left by actor.

His widow, Lady Forbes-Robertson, famous in her own right on the stage as Gertrude Elliott, will, it is understood, inherit the bulk of her husband's fortune.



A scene from "My Dear Miss Aldrich" showing at Wellington.

"Calling All Stars" Booked For Excelsior

So successful was Ambrose's debut in his first picture "Soft Lights and Sweet Music" that he was given a contract to make a second appearance as the star in this year's musical from the same company "Calling All Stars". This magnificent picture is coming to the Excelsior Theatre next Saturday.

"THE TOPPER"

New Laugh Hit At The Palace

Adopting a technique of camera presentation which is amazingly new on the screen, Hal Roach introduces a super whimsical comedy picture in "Topper", which has come to the Palace this week with Constance Bennett, Cary Grant and Roland Young in the stellar roles.

The film blazes a new trail for the fantasy shown in motion pictures. To illustrate the whims and novelty of Bennett and Grant as fun loving ghosts with the ability to materialize and dematerialize at will called into play highly technical photographic effects. The audience will be intrigued and sent into gales of laughter as these funny ghosts would materialize and then on occasions become invisible to confound and bewilder Roland Young.

The story starts when Miss Bennett and Cary Grant meet accidental death and resolve to escape their spiritual prison by doing a "good deed". Stages of hilarity are reached when they select Cosmo Topper, a staid banker, as the object of this good deed and attempt to upset his normal life to mould it to their own hectic ways of living. The astounding adventures and ribald escapades in which they involve Topper bursts all bounds of comedy.

"MICHAEL STROGOFF"

At The Edward

What is said to be the most stirring and dramatic screen fight since the memorable battle of William Farnum vs. Tom Santschi in "The Spoilers," forms the climax of R.K.O. Radio's spectacular production, "Michael Strogoff."

Anton Walbrook, the continental star who makes his American screen debut in the picture, and Akim Tamiroff, noted Russian actor, are the participants in the hand-to-hand battle. The two players, both unusually husky and athletic, spent one full day before the cameras filming the various phases of the conflicts, crashing through balustrades, hurling furniture at each other and committing every form of assault and battery known to the screen. At the end of the day both men were utterly exhausted, but they provided an ending worthy of the action-packed story.

Walbrook experiences two other personal encounters—one with a savage bear and one with a group of Tartar pirates on a Siberian river. In the category of mass fights are the most magnificent battle scenes ever filmed, in which 10,000 Bulgarian troops spent a full month re-creating the vast conflicts between the Russian armies and the Tartar hordes described by Jules Verne in his "Michael Strogoff."

Walbrook has the title role playing the courier who is assigned by the Tsar to reach a Russian army and dispatch it to curb the Mongolian hordes who have risen against Russia and Siberia. He heads the featured cast comprising Elizabeth Allan, Akim Tamiroff, Margot Grahame, Fay Bainter and Eric Blom. Pay George Nicholls, Jr.'s direction. "Michael Strogoff" is an R.K.O. Radio Picture.

"CALLING ALL STARS"

At Excelsior

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John Barrymore in "Bull-Dog Drummond" Comes Back at Pathe.

John Barrymore In New Drummond Film At Pathe

A fine character returns to the screen with the new picture "Bull-Dog Drummond Comes Back," which opens at the Pathe. The picture brings a new Drummond to the public in the person of John Howard, who plays the role with eminently satisfying dash and humour. This latest picture lives fully up to the high tradition set by previous Drummond pictures, being as thrilling and breathless a mystery as the public is likely to see this season.

Endowed with a dizzying pace by the direction of Louis King, the film rushes across the screen with the tale of the kidnapping of Drummond's fiancée, played by Louise Campbell, and the resultant chase of the kidnappers across England, with Drummond and his friends in hot pursuit. There's fighting and action galore in every reel of the story, and a hectic climax which threatens to wipe out Drummond and his associates in a lethal gas chamber.

John Barrymore takes the part of Colonel Nielson, a Scotland Yard official, in a role that allows him several queer makeups as well as opportunities to show off the Barrymore talents to the best possible advantage. Barrymore lends a large portion of the old Barrymore fire to an already spicy picture, and gives real competition for honours to John Howard. The two of them make the male leads of the picture really memorable portrayals.

The film commences with the kidnapping of Louise Campbell, just before her scheduled wedding to Howard. A woman whose lover Howard had killed in his investigation of a previous crime has organized a series of clues for Howard in the style of a treasure hunt, and tells him in the first

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clue, which is a phonograph recording in rhyme, that if he follows all the clues she leaves in the trail he may find his fiancée. But danger surrounds each clue, and if Howard goes to the police his fiancée will be killed at once. For that reason he does not tell his trouble to Barrymore, who finds out in spite of it, and sets out secretly on Howard's track to protect and help him.

The chain of clues leads all over England and finally to an old house, reputedly haunted, outside a little village. There Howard finds Miss Campbell, but is trapped with her and his friend, Reginald Denny, in a chamber which begins to fill up with poison gas. The climax finally reaches its peak when Barrymore and his associates find Howard in the nick of time, and hunt down the gang who had kidnapped Miss Campbell!

An eerie atmosphere pervades the whole picture, which is aided greatly by the splendid work of the entire cast, including Reginald Denny and E. E. Clive, who plays the part of Howard's valet. Altogether, "Bull-Dog Drummond Comes Back" is a thoroughly satisfying mystery picture, and as tingling a film as the season has to offer.

"LIFE OF EMILE ZOLA"

Muni Coming To Pathe

One of the most notorious scandals in modern history supplies the motivation for the second great Warner Bros. picture within a year based upon the life of a famous Frenchman.

The picture is "The Life of Emile Zola" and the scandal is that surrounding the conviction and imprisonment of Captain Alfred Dreyfus on Devil's Island, on a trumped up charge that he had sold important army secrets to Germany. The picture will open Christmas day at the Pathe.

Not only the great success of "The Story Of Louis Pasteur" with Paul Muni in its title role, but also the powerful drama of Zola's picturesque career as a moulder of public opinion in France influenced the studio in making this picture. Muni, who won the Academy Award for his Pasteur effort also has the title role in "Zola".

Zola was France's first great naturalistic novelist.

His most sensational work was "Accuse" in which he viciously attacked everyone who had any part in the condemnation and imprisonment of Dreyfus.

He had become convinced of one officer's innocence and with characteristic vigour attacked the powerful military hierarchy with all the strength at his command. "I Accuse" was deliberately written to provoke a libel suit.

Joseph Schildkraut, boyhood friend of Muni in Vienna has the role of Dreyfus.

There are many noted players in the cast in addition to Muni and Schildkraut.



A scene from "Calling All Stars" at Excelsior.



A scene from "Flight From Glory" at the Capitol.

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Conference

BOMBAY, Dec. 17.
The League of Nations has ap-
pointed Dr. S. N. Ghose of Geneva,
its observer at the Silver Jubilee
Conference of the Student Move-
ment Organisation of India, Burma
and Ceylon.
The Conference will meet at
Rangoon at Xmas time.—United
Press.

Rs. 4,000 For Anti-
Tubercular Fund
In Bangalore

BANGALORE, December 15.
To consider and devise arrange-
ments for the collection of money
on behalf of the King Emperor's
Anti-Tuberculosis Fund, a public
meeting was held this evening at
the Mayo Hall, the Hon'ble Lt.-Col.
J. H. Gordon, British Resident in
Mysore, presiding.

An influential committee with
Mr. C. F. A. Williams, Collector
C and M Station, as President was
constituted for the purpose.
A sum of about Rs. 4,000 has
been collected so far.—A. P.

Land Rent Remissions In Rewa

(From A Correspondent)
REWA, Dec. 17.
The Rewa Durbar communique
issued this morning says on ac-
count of slump in prices and
damage crops etc., His Highness
the Maharaja Sahib Bahadur has
been pleased to grant extensive re-
missions in rent which range from
12 1/2 per cent to 25 per cent accord-
ing to existing conditions.

Tilden Tennis Team For Dharwar

DHARWAR, (By Mail).
The Tilden tennis team con-
sisting of Tilden, Cochet, Ramil-
lion and Burke will be seen in
action in Dharwar on January 26.
This is the first occasion for any
foreign team to visit Karnatak.
The visit is arranged by the Dhar-
war Tennis Tournament Commit-
tee and the matches will be play-
ed on the courts of the Rajadh-
yaksha Pavilion.—A. P.

A band of preachers of the
Bharat Seva Ashram Sangh, Cal-
cutta, headed by Swami Shivanand,
has arrived at Nadlad. A largely
attended meeting was held on Sun-
day last, when Swami Advaita-
nanda delivered an interesting
lecture on "Universal Ideals of
Hinduism"

B. A. A. C.'s Open Athletic Meeting

The Bombay Amateur Athletic
Club, which is one of the premier
Athletic Institutions in India, is
organising its Fourth Annual Open
Athletic Meeting on the Cooper-
age, on Sunday the 9th January,
1938. It will be recalled that in the
past years, the B. A. A. C. have
been organising successful
Athletic Meetings, and this insti-
tution has been voted, by public
opinion, to be among the best in
organising meetings of this nature.

Change of Dates and Day

At the desire of the athletes who
usually participate in the B. A. A.
Meet, the organisers had, this year,
booked the dates of this meeting
for the 13th and 15th January,
1938, but due to the refusal of the
local Olympic body to accommodate
the event on those dates, the or-
ganisers have been compelled to at-
ter their dates to a week earlier,
i. e. Thursday the 6th and Sunday
the 9th January, 1938. It was sug-
gested last year that it would be
better if the organisers held the
meeting on a Sunday instead of
a Saturday, as it would be a better
gate-drawing proposition, and ac-
cording upon that suggestion, the Club
is holding its Meeting on a Sunday,
this year, and is expecting a bumper
support from the Athletic minded public.

Events for Men and Women

Now for the actual events for the
Sports. There are the usual sprint
events, viz.—100, 220, & 440 yards
run, besides the middle distances
the half, one and three miles run
and a ten mile road race. The Field
Events comprise of the Running
High and Broad Jump, the Pole
Vault and the Shot Put.
Besides these, there is a Mile
Cycle and a Mile Medley Relay for
Men and a half Mile Cycle and
300 Yards Shuttle Relay for Wo-
men. The 120 Yards Hurdles, a
Mile Walk for Men and a 75 Yards
Run for Women are also included
in the programme.

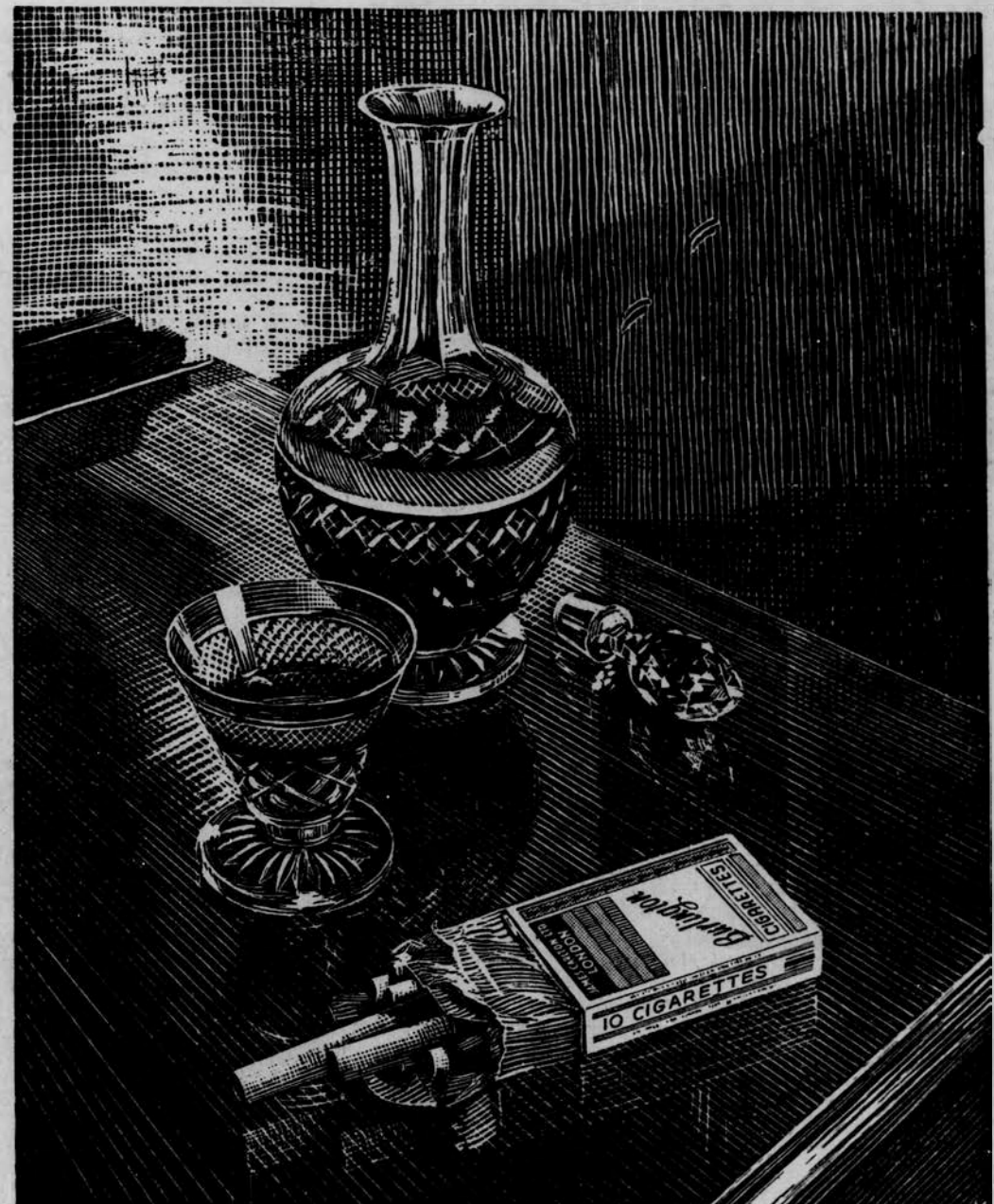
All in all, a very fine card of
eighteen events, catering for every
branch of Athletics is open for
competition, and it is hoped that
all the competitors will expedite
their entries. Cups will be awar-
ded to the first three in each
event.

Closing date for entries.

The Entry Fee fixed for the
Sports is 8 annas per event per
competitor, except the one Mile
Walk, the Three and Ten Mile
Races and the One Mile Cycling
for which Re. 1/- per event will be
charged as Entry Fees, and Rs. 4/-
per Team of Relay for Men and
Rs. 2/- per Team of Relay for
Women. Entries close on Wednes-
day the 29th December, 1937, and
they may be sent to the Hon. Gen.
Secretary, the B. A. A. C., Wilson
Building, Vincent Road, Dadar,
Bombay personally between 6-0
and 8-0 P.M. on week-days, or by
Post. Further particulars, if re-
quired, can be obtained from the
above address.

Heats.

The 10 Miles Road Race will be
run on Sunday the 2nd January,
1938 at 6-30 A.M. and the Route
fixed for the Race is Starting from
the Club premises (Wilson Build-
ing, Vincent Road, Dadar) to One
Mile beyond Kuria, via the Dadar
Tram Terminus, King Circle, Sion
and Kuria and back the same
way finishing opposite the Club
premises. The Heats for other
events will be held on the Coope-
rage on Thursday the 6th January,
1938 between 7-0 and 9-0 A.M. and
4-0 and 6-30 P.M.



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Election Of Delegates To Congress

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES AND VOTERS

The General Secretaries of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee have issued the following instructions to candidates and voters in connection with the Congress delegates' elections to be held to-morrow (Sunday):—

Those Congressmen alone whose names have been enrolled in the Official Rolls are entitled to vote in their respective Wards.

The printed Rolls supplied to the Polling Officers by the B. P. C. C.'s Office are final and complaints if any, regarding these can be lodged only with the B.P.C.C.

CUMULATIVE VOTING
The system of voting is that is known as "cumulative". Every voter has as many votes as there are seats allotted to the respective Wards. Seats allotted are as follows:

'A' Ward 2; 'B' Ward 5; 'C' Ward 5; 'D' Ward 5; 'E' Ward 3; 'F' Ward 2 and 'G' Ward 3.—Total 25 seats.

A voter can distribute his votes in any manner he likes. He can either give all his votes to one candidate or distribute them among more than one candidate.

No disturbance of any kind will be allowed at the Polling Booth. No distribution of hand-bills or any other demonstration can be allowed inside the Polling Station.

No obstruction shall be caused to any voter in the free exercise of his votes.

AT POLLING BOOTH
After coming to the Polling Station a voter has to go to the place where slips are issued. He must take his Number Slips and then straight proceed to the Ballot Room. He must present the Number Slip to the Ballot Clerk and get his votes in the shape of perforated tickets. Once a voter gets into the Ballot Room he must be alone by candidates and their Agents to exercise his free choice of votes. After getting the tickets the voter will proceed to the Box Room and cast his vote without being seen by anybody. After the votes are cast he must forthwith leave the Box Room and also the Ballot Room.

Voters are requested to come to the Polling Station early to avoid troubles of rush and impersonation. All genuine cases, where impersonation has occurred shall be referred to the Polling Officer on duty.

Voters are requested to co-operate with the Polling Officers and volunteers in charge in having peaceful and orderly elections. They should not congregate in the Polling Station nor should do things that are likely to create excitement.

We have every confidence that the voters will obey these instructions and help us in maintaining peace and discipline at all Polling Booths.

APPEAL TO A WARD CONGRESS VOTERS

Return Brelvi And Pinto By Thumping Majority To B. P. C. C.

Messrs. Sardar Inamansingh, Jumukial L. Mehta, Lala Sunderlal Nigam, G. R. Jore, Ibrahim Kasam Bangalwala, S. V. Kanchan, B. P. Koolurkar, Joachim Aranha and Y. G. Karkera have issued the following:—

We appeal to the Congress voters of the 'A' Ward to equally divide their votes between Messrs. S. A. Brelvi and P. M. Pinto. Their symbols are "Aeroplane" and "Plough" respectively.

The election will take place to-morrow (Sunday) and the polling hours are from 8 a.m. and 12 noon and from 3 to 7 p.m. (S.T.).

We earnestly hope the voters will weigh the significance of the day and turn up to the polling booth and send Messrs. Brelvi and Pinto to the B.P.C.C., by a thumping majority.

Messrs. S. A. Brelvi and P. M. Pinto add:—

We confirm the above arrangement and request the voters to exercise their votes accordingly.

NARIMAN TO CONTINUE TO SERVE CITY

Appeal To 'D' Ward Voters For Generous Support

Mr. K. F. Nariman has issued the following appeal:—

Whatever grievances and complaints, I may have against certain individuals in the Congress I have none against the Congress itself. In spite of recent incident by allegiance to the Congress, as an organisation remains as unstinted as ever.

In order to enable me to continue to serve the City and country through the Congress, I have decided to contest a seat for the B. P. C. C. from my old favourite

'D' Ward, that has always stood by me and never failed me in the past.

Once again, I appeal to the same friends, the Congress voters in 'D' Ward, to extend their usual generous support to me on this occasion also. If returned, I promise to serve them, regardless of personal consequences, as faithfully, fearlessly and conscientiously as in the past.

VOTE FOR NARIMAN Citizens' Committee's Appeal

The Bombay Citizens' Committee has issued the following appeal:—

Furious attempts are made by a certain section of Congressmen to see that Mr. Nariman is not even elected to the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee.

It is not necessary for us to enter into a detailed appreciation of Mr. Nariman's services, which are well-known to all. Hence we appeal to Congressmen in general and 'D' Ward voters in particular in the name of democracy, justice and fairplay to support Mr. Nariman in the forthcoming elections, and see that he is returned by an overwhelming majority of votes.

We again request the 'D' Ward voters to vote solidly for Mr. Nariman and thus vindicate his claim as the accredited leader of Bombay. The members of the Citizens' Committee are requested for election work to meet at Mr. Gadre's Office, Krishna Cinema, on Saturday, 18th inst. at 7 p.m.

ELECT NARIMAN

Mr. Bharucha's Appeal

Mr. B. F. Bharucha writes:—
To err is human. To forgive is divine. Errors of public men are at times magnified; whilst sins of lesser men are hushed up. Nariman has erred; but has not sinned.

(1) He has not misused public money.

(2) He has not misused power for personal end.

(3) He has not lined his pocket and pocketed off as a patriot.

(4) He has not played the role of a Walpole or a Iago.

(5) He has served the city and the country with all his ability and sincerity, in good times and bad; and given perhaps the greatest sacrifice amongst the Congressmen of Bombay.

(6) To speak of Vir Nariman's services to the City and the country is like gilding gold, or painting a lily.

(7) All Bombay knows his work, his worth, his doggedness, his fearlessness, his selflessness.

(8) The British Government put the late lamented Lokmanya twice behind the iron bars.

(9) So they dealt with Vir Nariman and his colleagues also.

(10) But the tragedy of the day, is that under the Congress Raj, attempts are made to oust him from public life! What a shame!

(11) The students have done their duty by electing him as the President of their dear old Brotherhood.

(12) Bombay expects 'D' Ward Congressmen will elect Vir Nariman on Sunday next, and will thus do their duty to our City and our dear country.

Let them not be guilty of remissness or ingratitude. Let conscience be their best judge and guide, and vote accordingly. Amen!

B. P. C. C. ELECTIONS

Mr. R. S. Padbidri writes:

In view of some inquiries made about my candidature at the ensuing B.P.C.C. elections, I have to state that I stood as a candidate on the assumption that Mr. K. F. Nariman was not likely to contest the elections but withdrew my candidature after he decided to be a candidate. I would appeal to those friends who promised to give me their votes to help Mr. Nariman to the best of their ability.

Mr. DIKSHIT'S APPEAL TO "C" WARD VOTERS

Mr. Umashankar Dikshit writes: At the instance of friends, whose opinion I greatly value, I have stood as a candidate for election to the B. P. C. C. I, myself strongly feel that at the present juncture it is the duty of every Congressman and Congress woman to strengthen the Congress and protect it from attacks from any direction. The Congress organisation in the City specially needs the moral and material support of all. If I am returned I shall strive my utmost to achieve these ends.

Bombay Delegates

Withdrawal Of Candidatures

Khandray's Nomination In Order

The General Secretaries of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee announce:

That Mr. Rajaram Madhavrao Khandray having made an affidavit that he has been a habitual wearer of Khaddar within the meaning of the Congress Constitution since the 1st of January, 1937, his candidature for the delegates' elections from 'E' (Byculla) Ward has been held in order. His symbol is "clock".

The following have withdrawn their candidature for the delegates' election from the constituencies noted against them:

Sardar Thaman Singh—'A' (Fort) Ward.

Sjt. Mahadeo Shastri—'D' (Girgaum) Ward.

Sjt. Jhimabhai P. Joshi—'F' (Parel) Ward.

IMPORTANT POINT OF ORDER

Assam Assembly Speaker Reserves Ruling

SHILLONG, December 17.

The Speaker of the Assam Legislative Assembly reserved to-day his ruling on a point of order raised as to whether a Supplementary Demand on an item of supply refused by the House previously was in order.

The point was raised when the Chief Minister moved a Supplementary Demand for Rs. 25,300 for the Commissioner's establishment for the four months from September to December.

Rai Bahadur Promode Chandra Dutt, Mr. Gopinath Bardoloi (leader of the Congress Party), Mr. Kamini Mohan Sen and Mr. Baidyanath Mukherjee spoke against the demand, while Khan Sahib Mudabbir Hussain Chaudhury, Maulvi Abdul Matin Chaudhury and the Premier defended the motion.—A. P.

JOINT MANIFESTO OF CONGRESSMEN

Appeal To City Voters For Election Of Delegates

Mr. Bhavanji A. Khimji, Drs. J. V. Vora and D. T. Anklesaria and Mr. Shirdas Chamlal, candidates from "B" Ward; Messrs. Bhulabhai J. Desai, Nagindas T. Master, Ganpatishanker N. Desai, Soondardas Morarji and Manilal Jemal Sheth, candidates from "C" Ward; Messrs. S. K. Patil, P. R. Lele and Guntvantlal V. Kapadia, candidates from "D" Ward; Messrs. R. K. Achrekar, Keshav Laxman Borkar and Hirala A. Dave, candidates from "E" Ward; Messrs. S. B. Mahadeshwar, Kashiprasad Sinha and K. Vithal Rao, candidates from "F" Ward; Mr. I. S. Patel, Mrs. Shantabai Vengasarkar and Mr. V. M. Nagvekar, candidates from "G" Ward write:—

On Sunday next those persons, who have enrolled themselves as members of the Indian National Congress in the different Wards of the City of Bombay and whose names appear on the roll of voters, will elect delegates to the Haripura session of the Congress. Under the constitution of the Congress, those elected at that election together with five co-opted members will act as members of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee for the ensuing year.

We have decided to contest the ensuing election to the B. P. C. C. and hope that every one of us will be elected by the voters in Bombay.

Mr. Guntvantlal Kapadia's Candidature

Mr. Guntvantlal Kapadia is contesting a seat at the ensuing B. P. C. C. elections from "D" Ward to take place on 19th instant (Sunday) and he appeals to the voters of the said Ward to support his candidature and return him to the B. P. C. C. to serve the Congress.

To Congress Voters Of "C" Ward

Mr. Jethmal Narandas writes:—I have to inform all the voters of "C" Ward generally and my supporters in particular that I have decided to withdraw my candidature for election to the B. P. C. C. in favour of Mr. Umashankar Dikshit, whose services to the Congress are well-known. It is a matter of great satisfaction that Mr. Dikshit has agreed to stand for election.

I request all the voters of the "C" Ward and also my friends and supporters to vote and work for Mr. Umashankar Dikshit.

I take this opportunity to thank my friends and supporters who have worked for me.

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PLEA FOR AN INDO-AMERICAN TRADE TREATY

(Continued from page 6)
on for the past 12 years and I along with all my business colleagues and friends in America deeply feel the humiliation and stigma attached to this unsavoury and discriminating situation.

If the Governments of Japan, China and Siam through their forceful representations have been able to remove that stigma and break the barriers and have improved the status and condition of their citizens why does not our Government do the same for us?

In passing I may add that from recent enquiries made in Washington, I can say with some assurance that if the Indian Government were to approach the United States Government for such a Trade Treaty, the matter will receive most favourable and willing consideration at their hands. America wants to break trade barriers and is willing to have as many trade treaties with as many different countries as it is feasible and practical.

Then, why does not our Government make a move in this direction? Is the hesitation and avoidance of the subject due to the fear that they may tread upon Britain's toes? That might have been true before, but not now when Britain herself, for reasons of her own, is willing to sacrifice the Imperial and Empire preferences.

Indian Trade Will Flourish

I have dealt above with the delicately interwoven Immigration Law point, which will be solved if India will have a Trade Treaty with America. Now I will touch upon the question of trade itself.

At present the trade balance is in favour of India and it is customary for countries who have favourable trade balances to adopt the 'hush hush' policy. That, in my humble opinion, is very narrow point of view and is exceedingly short-sighted, to say the least. Must such trade relations be measured in terms of actual rupees, annas and pies only? Is not the progressive India going to adopt a progressive trade outlook?

Besides that, what have we to fear from a trade treaty with America? We hardly produce or manufacture anything regarding which America is likely to compete with us in our home markets. However, America may give some competition to England, whose goods now enter India under a preferential tariff.

For instance, the American automobile industry might then more successfully compete with English automobiles. So what?

Anyway, why must Indians pay a higher duty on American cars when actually, according to the requirements of our country, it is the American car which can with ease and grace climb our mountains and cover the 'kutcha' village tracts.

Thus India has nothing to lose by having a trade treaty with America. It would be the British Empire units who may feel the American competition in our markets. But why should we break our hearts over that? Why shouldn't we, like Canada, adopt the slogan of 'India first and Empire afterwards'?

Britain Cannot Object

And, then again, in view of the Anglo-American trade negotiations, the sting is virtually gone. Because, if England is prepared to lower the tariffs for America, why should she object to India treating imports from America on the same basis as from the Empire countries?

So, under the changed conditions, even England does not stand much to lose. Then what are we waiting for? Why must we treat this question of first rate importance with indifference? Why must we sleep over it? Why must it be left to the next generation or the generation after that to bring it back from the archives of the dead? Why not act now?

There may be mistaken notion in some quarters that as India has favourable trade balance, the moment the trade talks are started with America, they may demand the equalization of the balance. But that is not so. America does not want equalization in dollars and cents. To my knowledge America has not signed one trade treaty in recent years where the question of balancing the 'trade balance' has been considered a condition precedent to signing of such a trade treaty.

I have gathered from authoritative sources that the 'most favoured nation' clause, whereby her goods will enter India under same conditions and tariffs as, for instance, those of Canada and Australia.

India's Trade Balance

Another angle has been mentioned that America will become conscious of the unfavourable trade balance and will do her utmost to remedy that situation. But,

will not India also become conscious? Have the Government of India sifted into this matter and come to the conclusion that India cannot export any more to America than what she is doing today? Have they given this aspect any consideration? Have they made any exhaustive enquiry into this matter? I happen to know that they have not. Thus, who is there to say that after a trade treaty with United States, India will not be able to maintain her favourable trade balance?

I maintain that India has not given this matter even a fair consideration. I maintain that Nationalist India through her progressive consciousness will soon find hundred and one items that have not been touched or explored so far. I suggest that India is on the march to-day. India is progressing to-day. India is 'alive' to-day. India is 'aware' to-day. And through this process of purification and resurrection of India's life, India will soon find many more rich natural resources of her soil, indigenous products will be found in abundance in the near future. India, as in past, will soon have myriads of raw materials as well as manufactured goods to offer in the world markets. India will then badly need these trade treaties. That is why this question is of national importance.

A Move In Right Direction

The other day, in Delhi, I had the pleasure of discussing this matter with the Hon. Member of Commerce, Sir Mohd. Zafrulla Khan, who informed me that an Indian Trade Commissioner was being sent to New York. I gather that the gentleman selected, Mr. H. S. Malik, I.C.S., is an experienced and capable officer. I wish to extend congratulations to the Government of India, on behalf of my colleagues in America, for the selection of an Indian Trade Commissioner and for creating this very much belated and badly needed post. But, may I make a suggestion to the Government of India? Will the Government give specific instruction to the appointed Trade Commissioner for India in New York to make full enquiries into the possibilities of a Trade Treaty between India and the United States and report to the Government of India at an early date as is physically possible?

In the end, I would once again like to revert to the question of the present Immigration restrictions, which are inflicting hardships on those of us who are already there. For instance, Indian businessmen who were in America previous to the enactment of 1924 Immigration Law may reside in America for indefinite periods and go out of the country and re-enter the country with 're-entry permits.' But, if anyone of those were to marry an Indian Lady and take her back to the United States, the Indian wife may enter America only as a temporary visitor and may stay only for the allowed definite period and must leave her husband and the country at the expiry of that period. Take another case. The resident Indian businessmen may take to America their relations or business employees to help them in their business there. But, they too may enter the country as temporary visitors only and may stay there for allotted period only. These illustrations would convey some idea of the handicaps we are placed under.

Present Handicaps Must Go

However, I am not making this plea in the interest of those who are already settled there, even though they have to undergo such hardships and discomforts and do keenly feel the humiliation and stigma of the unfortunate situation. But, I am pleading for the 'young India,' the conscious and alive India of to-day. Let not our youths suffer from these limitations. Let our would-be business magnates and leading industrialists have a fair start. Let not our 'young minds' be hampered with these handicaps. Let them not think of America in terms of the country where they cannot stay and conduct their business under same conditions as other Asiatic races. Let their visions be unhampered. Let their enterprising spirits have a full sway. Let them seek the world markets. Let them lead India's destiny in the commercial and industrial world unhindered and unfettered. Let us try and remove these obstacles from their paths. Let us have a Trade Treaty with America now!

Bombay Students' Union

Delegates to the Bombay Presidency Students' Conference elected by the Union should inform the Secretaries, on or before the 19th instant personally or through post, their willingness to attend the Poona Session of the Conference. Those who fail to do so will automatically cease to be delegates. One of the Secretaries will be available in the Servants of India Society's Hall, Prarthana Samai, between 5-30 to 6-30 p.m. on the 13th and 15th instant, whom the delegates can inform their willingness or otherwise to attend the Conference.

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All-India Industrial And Agricultural Exhibition Surat

(From A Correspondent)

At a time when business is just looking up, it is gratifying to see that the Indian as well as foreign manufacturers are resorting to modern methods of advertising. Press and paper publicity has its uses, but, ocular demonstration does help industries. Indians are beginning to realise the value of

such stimulants and local exhibitions are periodically held. Within recent times various small exhibitions have been held; but an All-India Exhibition has been a rarity these few years.

It is, therefore, all the more gratifying that an exhibition on a gigantic scale is being held at Surat at a time when the annual Congress meets a few miles away and when all eyes are turned towards Surat and its adjunct Haripura. The intrepid organisers deserve a word of praise for the selection of the site and also for its lay-out.

Needless to mention that Surat, the alighting station for Haripura, will be at its best at this time and more than 50,000 delegates and visitors will be meeting there, from all over India. Apart from this the local and the people from the adjoining towns and villages are sure to congregate in this old city. Hence, the expectations of the organisers to attract about half a million spectators to the exhibition may not be far wrong.

Not Aesop's— Yet a Fable

At a water fountain in one of Bombay's remote corners, two hack ponies harnessed to victorias chanced to meet.

Said one to the other: "How goes the world, brother? You look none too prosperous, anyway."

The other replied: "It's all wrong with the world, and worse with me. All day long we wait at the stand—my master and I—but nobody wants to use this good old chariot. Less work, you will say; but less food, too. I am hardly given a mouthful of hay, and my master says he can't afford even that. But how goes it with you? You look all fat and bursting with prosperity. What's the trick, eh?"

FIRST PONY: "My master's brains! A year ago, we too, were getting too near the starvation line, when my master took me one evening near a theatre; and what a crowd! There were more passengers than all the old coaches there could carry. Since then, we have made that place our headquarters, and now there's jingling coins in my master's pockets and good grass and gram in my old tummy!"

"I think the theatre is called the CENTRAL; the show is about some holy man with a pugree—may be they call him TUKARAM. And all the way from the theatre home, my passengers talk nothing else than praise of the picture. It's an year now, yet the crowds are as big as ever. I tell you, brother—"

His sentence remained unfinished. "Crack!" said the whip on the famished pony's back, and he had to move away.

The morals of this tale are two (and that is one better than old man Aesop).

Firstly, hack ponies have the humanity (!) to make kind enquiries about their fellows—a quality that many humans lack.

SECONDLY, the PRABHAT picture "TUKARAM" running at the CENTRAL, is as popular now in its 54th Week as it was in its 4th or 5th.

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Additional charges of annas two per telegram will be made for this service. For other particulars refer to the Chief Superintendent in-charge, Central Telegraph Office, Bombay.

Surat Riot Prisoners To Be Released

(From A Correspondent)
SURAT, Dec. 14.

The Government of Bombay have passed orders for the release of three Muslim riot prisoners of Surat, who were sentenced to transportation for life for taking part in the 1928 communal riots at Surat.

Out of these Kadermiya Ebrahim was in Sabarmati jail, Gonumiyia Karimmiya in the Yeravda prison and Kalumiyia Karimmiya in the Ahmedabad Central Jail.

It is interesting to note that Khan Bahadur Sheikhali Baakza and the Nawab of Bella, on behalf of the Surat Muslim Society moved in this matter of release and their efforts have been crowned with success.

JEHANGIR MODY IMPROVING

BOMBAY, Friday. The "Chronicle" understands that Mr. Jehangir N. Mody of Messrs. Brandon and Co., who met with an accident while riding a horse on Thursday morning is a little better to-day in the Charak Clinic.

Condition Causes Anxiety LATER

Inquiries made late at night on Friday indicate that Mr. Jamshed Mody had no sleep and his condition seemed to be causing anxiety.

Andhra Youths Agitate For Separate Province

The Young Andhra Association, which was recently formed in Bombay, has passed from the stage of social to topical political questions.

The question of Andhra Province which has, of late, been engaging the attention of the whole of Andhra was discussed at the fortnightly meeting of the Association held at Ram Bhawan, Parsi Colony.

Sgt. A. Gopalrao, the young artist and playwright, who is now in Bombay, presided.

The following resolutions were passed at the meeting:

"We resolve that a province separate for Andhra on the linguistic basis is necessary to enhance the cultural, economic, physical and spiritual calibre of Andhras and that the Madras Government should take immediate steps to consider the necessary province to the Andhras."

"It is resolved that the above resolution should be immediately communicated to the Government of Madras, to the President of the Andhra Provincial Congress Committee Press, and to the President of the Andhra Province Committee (Andhra Mahasabha)."

Death Of Mr. B. T. Patel ("Vihari")

(From A Correspondent.)

Mr. Bhecharlal Trikamji Patel, well-known by his name 'Vihari', a veteran educationist and a loyal devotee of Gondal State, has expired after a brief illness of about a week.

The services of the deceased in the education department of the State for a long span of 53 years as Taluka Master and as the Principal of Teachers Training College have been highly commended. With a sincere heart and a genuine affection for the would-be citizens under his care, he contributed his quota towards the realisation of His Highness Maharaja Shree Bhagvatsinhjee's ennobling aspirations for the advancement of learning in the State.

Well-known in the literary sphere of Kathiawar and Gujarat by his nom-de-plume of 'Vihari', Kavi Vihari has to his credit first excellent Gujarati translation of "Meghduta," the immortal work of Kallidas, and that of "Uttar Ram Charitra," the renowned work of Bhavabhuti. He was also the author of several other works conspicuous among which stands his 'Gita Panchamrit', an elaborate exposition on Bhagvad Gita, the gem of Indian philosophy.

A nationalist in the true sense of the term, he had implanted that spirit of nationalism in his son Mr. Chandulal Patel, now hold the post of Vidyadhikari (Minister of Education) in Gondal State. His knowledge of astrology, astronomy, vedanta and graphology was very wonderful. Surprising it is to mention that his demise occurred on the very same day and at the very same time as was predicted by him 20 years before.

ADARSH SEVA SANGHA

Appeal For Funds

Adarsh Seva Sangha, a pioneer public body of Gwalior C. I. has been carrying on activities of education, cottage industries, rural reconstruction and social reforms since the year 1921.

It is providing facilities of free education up to the secondary standard with compulsory industrial training irrespective of caste or creed. It is carrying on khadi production including dyeing and printing in about 75 villages.

The Rural Reconstruction Centres of the Sangha are maintaining daily income and expenditure records of every peasant family. Mutual settlement of debt is being effected with the help of the Rural Reform Societies. Adult education, night libraries and sanitary improvements are also being regularly carried on, and the progress recorded during the preceding year is 50 per cent. increase in income per capita and 17 per cent payment of old debts.

The Society has as frequently appeared in the "Harijan" and other papers has heavily suffered owing to its Harijan activities. At present the Sangha is passing through a crisis financially. Its Secretary, Mr. H. D. Divedi, is making efforts to collect funds. It is hoped that all charitably disposed and national-minded people will contribute their mite.

The following opinions about the Sangha may be read with interest:—

SETH JAMNALAL BAJAJ:

Adarsh Vidyalaya Pohri, is a promising institute for national education. What I have gathered about the institute during these days has impressed me that it deserves public support. Whatever help, I could, I have done my bit. I wish all progress and prosperity to the institute.

SJT. A. V. THAKKAR:

The Rural Reconstruction work of the Adarsh Seva Sangha interested us most. Records are being kept for three small villages of all cultivators as regards their income from agriculture and expenses thereon, very regularly and methodically. The annual income per head in these villages does not exceed Rs. 26, which is evidently a low income.

The sacrifice shown by the workers of this institution working far in the interior in a small place, is evident and need not be dilated upon. Mr. Puranik has produced a devoted band of workers by his work of several years.—Secretary, All-India Harijan Sevak Sangh, Delhi, 14th September, 1937.

THE HON. MR. K. M. MUNSHI: I had been following the activities of the Adarsh Seva Sangha for some years. It is doing useful work and deserves help. 17-12-1937.

SJT. M. C. SETALVAD: I have for some time been assisting the Adarsh Vidyalaya as I am satisfied that it has been doing very useful work, 1934.

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BOMBAY GOVT.'S ALLOTMENTS FOR DEVELOPING COTTAGE INDUSTRY

Government have sanctioned the following schemes to be financed out of the provision of Rs. 1,50,000 sanctioned in the current year for the development of village industries.

A scheme has been approved for the encouragement of hand-spinning and Khadi-weaving. The All India Spinners' Association are given a grant of Rs. 29,075 on this account to promote a Khadi Research Workshop, to supply efficient implements, to employ instructors for introduction of new implements and to maintain a technical class for imparting instructions to villagers.

A scheme for two additional travelling parties for giving practical demonstrations to cottage dyers and cloth printers in improved process and designs has also been sanctioned.

Government have also arranged for the training of a number of hereditary art-craft workers in the Ray Art Workshop and other places and for the employment of an artist designer by the Industries Department.

Another scheme provides for the

organisation of demonstration parties for giving instruction in lacquer work on wood, papier-mâché and earthenware.

Three additional travelling demonstration parties to give practical demonstration in improved methods of tanning have also been sanctioned. Similarly a peripatetic wool weaving school has been set up. This is intended to help wool weavers in the different processes and technique of their work.

A demonstration party to instruct people in cane and bamboo manufacture is also provided. Lastly, Government have sanctioned a scheme for assisting the All India Village Industries Association in starting classes for training people in making jaggery out of Palmyra and date palm juice and in paper making and oil pressing processes.

The amount absorbed in all these schemes is nearly Rs. 49,500. Government have invited the Director of Industries to submit proposals for utilising the balance of the provision of Rs. 1,50,000 allotted in the budget.

WHAT IS MINIMUM WAGE?

Prof. Davar On Difficulty Of Giving Interim Recommendations

"The question of fixing of minimum wage in case of textile mill operatives which has been referred to a Special Committee by the Congress Government, must be naturally engaging the anxious attention of many of you who have your money invested in shares of cotton mills. Here no doubt an attempt is being made, with all goodness of heart, to try to provide for our mill operatives a minimum wage," said Prof. Sohrab R. Davar at the quarterly meeting of the Bombay Shareholders' Association meeting on Friday.

WHAT IS MINIMUM WAGE?

In fixing what should be the minimum wage, continued Prof. Davar the first consideration is, that the principles—which are applicable to the conditions of European and American labour cannot be automatically applied to our Indian textile workers for the simple reason that there is much difference, both social and intellectual, between these two sets of operatives. In Europe a textile factory operative is the principal if not the only earning unit of the family and generally his wife keeps home. Here an operative has more than one wife who all generally go to work. Moreover, two or three brothers, their wives and children, may all live together and form a common budget. Thus that which may be called a minimum wage for an unmarried operative living alone on his own cannot be compared with the minimum wage of a married man with a wife and small children.

The other and the elementary question is whether a scale of minimum wage arrived at is one which the industry can afford to pay in normal times, i.e., at times when not only there is exceptional prosperity but also in times during which the industry is not prosperous but is more or less earning a normal income. Again the other question to be considered is whether the same wage has to be applied during the times of depression when the industries are working under a loss.

DIFFICULTIES OF INTERIM RECOMMENDATION.

He said that the Government has asked the Wages Enquiry Committee to make an interim recommendation. What is meant by this interim recommendation? It is not clear as to how the Committee could arrive at an interim recommendation. At the best such an interim recommendation is more likely to be based on a cursory investigation as it has to be made in a hurry and is sure to react one way or the other.

In case the interim recommendation fixes a minimum wage figure which turns out to be higher than the one which on complete enquiry seems to be justified, the consequent reduction is sure to create considerable disaffection and agitation among the operatives. If on the other hand the interim minimum wage is fixed at a lower figure than that of the labour class minimum wage, it is sure to result in dissatisfaction among the labour class. The fixing of a higher figure would also detrimentally affect the position of the industry during the time that it subsists, doing considerable injustice to the investor in mill shares who is hardly getting anything like his adequate share in the investment. This would also in its turn result in a reluctance on part of Indian investing public in supplying capital for expansion and further growth of the textile industry and the capital in such circumstances would natu-

rally be diverted to channels where it is safer and more profitable in its return. The question therefore is not one so easy to be decided as some of our countrymen may imagine.

INEFFICIENCY OF LABOUR.

Referring to efficiency of workers, the speaker observed that the industry has to exist not only in competition with indigenous factories and mills but also with that of countries like Japan, Lancashire, etc. Those countries are in a position to compete on our markets in spite of import duties due to their efficiency of our labour. There may be cases no doubt, and there are many, where our machinery in textile factories may not be as modern and as efficient as is required by the present condition of competition. According to the finding of the Royal Commission "the whole mass of industrial labour is illiterate, a state of affairs which is unknown in any other country of industrial importance."

Prof. Davar concluded: "I have no doubt that you will agree with me that the sympathy of all of us is with them in this direction. The fault lies at the door of the Government which has not taken the necessary steps to introduce free and compulsory primary education up to this date. Now that the Congress National Government is in power, we look upon them to do all that is in their power to bring about a rapid change in this situation."

REMINDER TO MOTOR OWNERS

The Director of Information, Bombay, writes:—
A notice issued by the Commissioner of Police, Bombay, says:—"Motor owners who have paid tax on their vehicles for the quarter ending 31st December 1937 are reminded that the next instalment of tax falls due on 1st January 1938 and the amounts should be remitted to this office, together with the forms of application for the renewal of registration, within fifteen days from 1st January 1938. Renewal forms can be obtained from this office. The Motor Vehicles Department will be open for the collection of tax between 10-45 a.m. and 3-0 p.m. on week days, except Saturday, on which day it will be open between 10-45 a.m. and 12-30 p.m."

To avoid delay it is requested that payments be made early. Owners of motor vehicles bearing extra Provincial or State numbers should note that the fifteen days grace does not apply to them and that the tax due on their vehicles should be paid on or before the expiry of the tokens already issued to them.

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Visas To British Army Officers

The Director of Information, Bombay, writes:—
The Consul General for Iran at Delhi announces that visas will be granted without delay to all such British Army officers, as may be travelling by air across Iran by the Dutch K.L.M. line only.

DEMAND FOR CIVIL LIBERTIES

Subjects' Memorandum To Nizam's Reforms Committee

(From Our Correspondent)
HYDERABAD, Dec. 17.

The Hyderabad Government should make a declaration of fundamental rights including freedom of conscience, profession and practice of religion, free expression of opinion in writing and on platform as also right to hold meetings and form associations, a declaration that there shall be no State religion and a request for cancellation of Government orders relating to private schools, public meetings, religious processions and music before mosques are contained in a memorandum submitted by the members of the Hindu Subject Standing Committee to the Political Reforms Committee constituted by the Government under the commands of H. E. H. the Nizam.

WHEN INDIA SHOULD WIN INDEPENDENCE

Sir K. V. Reddi Urges Need Of Self-Defence

MADRAS, (By Mail.)

Sir K. V. Reddi, presiding over the Silver Jubilee Celebration of the Indian Young Men's Association, Madras, said that just now a wave of nationalism was sweeping the country. Nationalism was good and necessary but nationalism alone was not sufficient and something more was required. They no doubt wanted to be free in their own country there could be no question about that. It was essential that their countrymen should try their best to get freedom for India, but for this nationalism alone was not sufficient.

"What are you going to do with independence if it comes to-morrow?" asked Sir Kurma. "We will know what is going on in the other parts of the world, nations all ready to cut each others' throats in the name of nationalism. Germany wanted her colonies back; Italy to be lord of the Mediterranean Japan to create a continent of Asia, while in Spain they learnt that fathers were killing their own sons and men, their brothers and sisters. Such are the times in which we are living. If to-morrow we get independence it is not necessary for me to tell you what the consequences will be. What was the fate of Abyssinia. What has become the fate of China?"

When we have in our own country our own army, navy and air forces commanded by our own countrymen, when we are in a position to defend ourselves against foreign aggression, then that is the proper time for us to have complete independence. Cannot we wait for sometime? If we can, we should devote our attention till then to some of the more urgent problems facing us immediately. We should do something to raise the standard of living in this country."

Proceeding he said that it was no use merely calling ourselves an independent nation till they were not able to defend themselves. We should be able to command respect in the international world. It was not enough to be an independent nation. We should be a nation respected, though not feared by the rest of the world.

After referring to the progress made by the Soviet Russia, Sir Venkata Reddy, concluding said that here production to-day was a hundred times more than it was in 1917 and if that was possible there, it was also possible in India.



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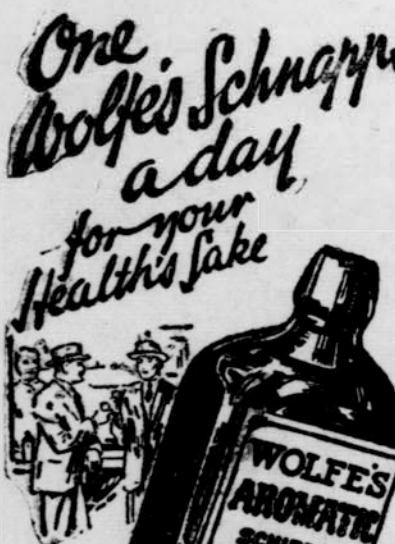
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European delegates to the Indian Science Congress arrived in Bombay by s. s. "Cathay" on Friday morning when Mr. V. N. Chandavarkar Vice Chancellor of the Bombay University and others received them at the Ballard Pier.

Bombay's Reception To Science Congress Delegation

Assemblage Of 100 Scientists Set Foot On Indian Soil 'En Route' To Calcutta

BOMBAY: Friday.
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1937, MARKS A "RED-LETTER DAY" IN THE ANNALS OF INDIAN SCIENCE, AS ON THIS DAY A PARTY OF 100 SCIENTISTS AND THEIR WIVES, CONSTITUTING THE BRITISH DELEGATION TO THE JUBILEE SESSION OF THE INDIAN SCIENCE CONGRESS, SET THEIR FOOT ON THE INDIAN SOIL, MOST OF THEM FOR THE FIRST TIME.

The Delegation consists of eminent scientists of international reputation. Sir James Jeans, the greatest living astronomer, heads the list. He is the President-elect of the Jubilee Session.

Sir Arthur Eddington, Plumian Professor of Astronomy and Experimental Philosophy in the University of Cambridge, is in the party. Sir Arthur Hill, Director of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, Surrey; Sir James B. Henderson, formerly Professor of Applied Mechanics in the Royal Naval College, Greenwich; Sir Frederick Hobday, Principal and Dean of the Royal Veterinary College, London; Dr. O. J. R. Howarth, Secretary of the British Association of Scientists; Prof. P. G. H. Boswell, Professor of Geology, Imperial College of Science and Technology, London; Treasurer of the British Association; Prof. R. A. Fisher, Galton, Professor of Eugenics in University College, London; Prof. H. J. E. Peake, ex-President of the Royal Anthropological Institute; Lt.-Col. R. B. Seymour Sewall, formerly Director of the Zoological Survey in India; Prof. J. L. Simonsen, formerly Professor of Inorganic Chemistry in the Presidency College, Madras and at present Professor of Chemistry, University College of North Wales; Prof. R. V. Southwell, Professor of Engineering Science in the University of Oxford; Dr. L. Dudley Stamp; Sir Ernest Cassel, Reader in Economic Geography in the University of London; Prof. J. M. Stratton, Professor of Astrophysics in the University of Cambridge; Dr. W. W. Vaughan, formerly Head Master of Rugby School; Sir Henry Tizard, Rector of the Imperial College of Science and Technology; Sir Lewis L. Fernald, formerly Director of Geological Survey in India; Miss E. R. Saunders, lately Lecturer in Botany, Newham College, Cambridge, and Mrs. Arbour Stephens, Professor of French, Language and Literature in University College, Swansea are some of the members who constitute the Delegation of 102.

The whole party arrived in Bombay by s.s. "Cathay", which drew alongside in the early hours of the morning.

A grand reception was offered to the delegates by a representative Committee, formed under the auspices of the Bombay University.

The guests were received on behalf of the University by Mr. V. N. Chandavarkar, Vice-Chancellor, Bombay University; Col. S. S. Sokhey, I.M.S.; Major S. L. Bhatia, I.M.S.; Rao Saheb Ven-

katraman, President and Prof. J. N. Mukherjee, Gen. Secretary of the Indian Science Association; Dr. T. S. Wheeler; Rev. Dr. John Mackenzie; Fr. Palacio; Dr. R. B. Forster; Miss J. M. Cursetjee, and Mrs. Chandavarkar.

After exchange of greetings, the party was led by the members of the Reception Committee to an open space outside the Mole Station, where formal welcome was offered and the guests were garlanded.

Throughout the day the visitors were engaged in sight-seeing and a very busy programme has been arranged by the Reception Committee.

WILL SEE INDIA
Interviewed Sir James Jeans, President-elect of the Jubilee Session of the Indian Science Congress Association, said:

"We are coming round to see your institutions and how they are doing things here. We are here for the great advantage of your Science and Science in Great Britain."

"We have come also to see India. We are gratified that the Committee has made arrangements for us to see India and under such good auspices."

As to the future of mankind in view of the great progress of Science in its destructive aspects, Sir James Jeans, in a cryptic reply, said: "That isn't the happy side of Science. We can't stop it. Nobody is able to do anything."

Prof. Ernest Barker, Professor of Political Science in the University of Cambridge, said: "India is too critical and intellectual to have Dictatorship. Dictatorship means a regime through mass emotion exploited by a single personality."

Mahatma Gandhi is a great personality in India. He never saw Mahatma Gandhi exploit mass emotion; rather Gandhi's appeal had always been to reason. As an observer of the Indian situation he was sure that India would not imitate Dictatorship. He could not imagine of any possible threats to India from countries under Dictatorship.

One likely threat seemed to be from Japan, but Japan would have its head full in China. Anyway, it was a long way from Tokyo to Delhi!

As far as England was concerned, he saw no sign nor tendency towards a Dictatorship. The British Fascist Party was very small almost to a ridiculous extent, only attracting attention when they got up processions and got into trouble. Indeed they got into trouble in order to advertise their existence.

NO DIFFERENCES!
Democratic institutions in England had been so modified that animosity between the Government Party and the Opposition had very much boiled down. A case, for example, was the Labour endorsement of the programme under the Government's military policy. He thought that the present National Government would continue as long as there was any threat from Dictatorial countries. The Party will spend to-day and to-morrow in the city and will leave Bombay on Saturday evening from Victoria Terminus.

ROLE OF GENETICS IN HUMAN LIFE

Lt.-Col. S. L. Bhatia, Dean, Grant Medical College, while introducing Professor F. A. E. Crew to the students of his College on Friday afternoon extended a cordial welcome on behalf of Bombay citizens and especially on behalf of Medical Students. He also paid tribute to the friendship of Prof. Crew, under whom he was a pupil in England, for students from the East.

That the physician and surgeon of to-morrow should receive an introduction to the science of Genetics, during his undergraduate training was emphasised in the course of the lecture delivered by Prof. Crew, at the Grant Medical College yesterday afternoon.

The impact of biological theories upon human thought has been followed by an acceptance by an ever-increasing number of people of quite revolutionary ideas concerning man and the social institutions, that he has invented. Reviewing the astonishing feats of biological engineering, he said man has changed the characterisation of his domesticated animals and cultivated plants to his own advantage. Type, habit and destiny, these three must always be harmoniously related to each other and each is moulded by the others and improvement in animal breeding involved improvement in all of them.

COURSE OF DISEASES
Diseases can be classified according to the place of origin, which can be intrinsic or extrinsic. The diseases which are intrinsic in origin are those in which the cause is a specific constitutional peculiarity and extrinsic factors play little or no part in their etiology. The hereditary constitutions of the individuals concerned and the rules governing the distribution of the genes are the only factors, which are involved in the production and transmission of these defects and disengagements.

Tuberculosis he cited as an example which has the capacity to express the defect. He arrived at the conclusion that disease is a condition which affects not the individual as a whole but one or more of its constituent organ-systems.

DISEASES AND AGE
While classifying diseases with relation to age, he said alimentary and respiratory diseases take their heaviest toll in early infancy and that circulatory diseases come with old age. The diseases of infancy often lead to an increase in the incidence of death being genetic defects.

The physician and surgeon of to-morrow should receive an introduction to the science of Genetics during his undergraduate training.

He concluded by explaining human abnormalities, which are genetically determined and are known to fall into five main divisions. But he said, he was forced to hold the view that the knowledge "we possess is too insecure to form the basis of any eugenic practice" and expressed the hope that shortly in the Grant Medical College there will be provided facilities for the teaching of Genetics and for the prosecution of research in this field.

On behalf of the students, the President gave a hearty vote of thanks to the lecturer.

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TRADE AND FINANCE

Better Tone In Shares After Recent Drop SILVER MARKET NERVOUS

Gold Rules Steady

WEEKLY MARKET REVIEWS

(From Our Special Correspondent.)
BOMBAY Dec. 17.

MONEY
Money was slightly better in demand and call funds were quoted at about 3/4 per cent. The rates for term money, however, were unchanged, three months being quoted at 1 per cent. and four to six months at 1-1/4 per cent. Owing to the approach of the year end, applications for this week's sale of Treasury Mills were somewhat smaller at Rs. 2,26,00,000 as compared with last week's offerings of Rs. 2,46,50,000 and the average rate of acceptance was as high as Re. 1-0-7 per cent. per annum as against last week's Re. 0-12-11 per cent. Maturities amounted to Rs. 2 crores which were offset by renewals of a similar amount. Government have borrowed additional Rs. 1 crore against Ways and Means Advances from the Reserve Bank of India and the total outstanding under this head is now Rs. 4 crores.

GILT-EDGED
The tone in the local gilt-edged market was easier in sympathy with foreign advice. The international political situation is obscure, and this served as a check on free fresh investment of funds. The quotation for 3-1/2 per cent. Rupee Paper declined further from Rs. 98-8 to Rs. 97-6, but recovered slightly at the close to Rs. 97-9. There was a fractional decline in other scrips too, the turnover being negligible. 2-3/4 per cent. 1938-52 loan declined from Rs. 100-6 to Rs. 100-5, 3 per cent. 1941 loan from Rs. 103-9 to Rs. 103-8 and 3 per cent. 1951-54 loan from Rs. 102-8 to Rs. 102-7. 3-1/2 per cent. 1947-50 loan closed at Rs. 106-4, 4 per cent. 1943 bonds at Rs. 108-6 and 4 per cent. 1960-70 loan at Rs. 113-11. 4-1/2 per cent. 1955-60 loan was offered at Rs. 119-4, 6 per cent. 1939-44 loan at Rs. 104-15 and 5 per cent. 1940-43 loan at Rs. 107-14. 5 per cent. 1945-55 (tax free) loan was quoted at Rs. 120-7 and 5-1/2 per cent. 1938-40 loan at Rs. 120-10.

EXCHANGE
Sterling exchange was steady throughout the period under report with quotations unchanged, sellers of ready T. F. quoting 1s. 6-3/32d. and buyers 1s. 6-1/8d. There was spasmodic business in gold for export, largely for near delivery, but there was no surplus cover left and Government, accordingly received no tenders at 1s. 6-1/8d. this week also.

In the foreign exchange market in London, movements were unimportant. The sterling-dollar rate, after opening at 499.75 cents, touched 500.10 cents mid-week, but later reversed to 499.77 cents towards the close. The premium on three months' forward dollars was practically stagnant around dol. 0.82 throughout the week. The franc was steady earlier in the week, the sterling franc rate moving between frs. 147.07 and frs. 147.10, but towards the latter part weakened to frs. 147.29 under selling pressure, closing at frs. 147.28. The discount on three months' forward francs likewise widened from the opening level of frs. 2,090 to as high as frs. 4,683 at the close. The guilder moved narrowly between 8.099 and 8.098 3/16, while the belga fluctuated between 29.40 3/4 and 29.37 3/4. The Italian lira was subject to selling pressure, probably owing to the nervousness regarding Italy's economic position; the rate, after opening at 95.00, skipped to 95.37, at which level the Control is reported to have intervened to force it back to 95.00, closing at 95.15.

GOLD
There was practically no change in the price of gold throughout the week and spasmodic enquiry for ready for export was in evidence. The market off and on kept near the export parity and small business was put through. The quotation for ready ranged between Rs. 34-7-3 and Rs. 34-8-3, while end of January settlement was quoted 3 ples and February 9 ples higher than the spot rate. The London price of the metal was also stationary around 139s. 10d., the highest being 139s. 11d. and lowest 139s. 9 1/2d. The premium on gold in London over the dollar arbitrage parity ranged between 8d. and 9d. There was a good demand for sovereigns at hardening rates and business was done at Rs. 22-6-3 both for ready and forward. The turnover, however, was limited owing to restricted supply of coins in the local market. Gold

bullion and coins worth Rs. 1,59,327 were imported during the past week. Last week's shipment to London per s.s. Ranchi is valued at Rs. 35.42 lacs. Stocks of gold in the local market are estimated at about 1,00,000 tolas, while the arrivals from up-country average some 8,000 tolas a day. The daily average offtake is 1,000 tolas. The highest and lowest rates touched during the week were: Rs. 34-8-3 and Rs. 34-7-3 for ready, Rs. 34-8-3 and Rs. 34-7-6 for January settlement and Rs. 34-8-6 and Rs. 34-7-9 for February settlement.

SILVER
An erratic tone characterised the local silver market and a nervous feeling was in evidence throughout the period following various reports regarding the future silver policy of the American Treasury. It is generally believed that there will be some changes in the American silver policy, but a change in the foreign buying price is regarded as unlikely. However, so long as the uncertainty about the continuance of this price remains, the tone of the market is not likely to improve. Yesterday, for the first time in several years, the United States were buyers of forward silver in the London market and this has helped to restore a part of the lost confidence. A continuance of this policy is sure to lead to complete restoration of confidence immediately. The price of ready, after opening at Rs. 47-13-8, dipped down to Rs. 46-5 mid-week, but recovered to Rs. 47-5, closing easier again at Rs. 46-5-6. Owing to the continued good offtake, which averages 200 bars a day, both spot and forward deliveries were quoted at about the same price although there was a badli of 1 1/2 to 2 annas at the last settlement. Stocks have accordingly dwindled down to 10,000 bars and these are not considered large in view of the considerable speculative position in the Bombay market. This coupled with the big premium on spot in London is likely to tend to the narrowing of the differential between the price in London and that in the local market. The quotation in London dropped from 18 15/16d. to 18 1/2d. for spot and from 18 11/16d. to 18 3/16d. for forward, but towards the close the spot rate recovered to 18 11/16d., while forward was quoted at 18 1/16d. i.e. 5/8d. lower than spot. Yesterday's arrival per s.s. "Cathay" is valued at £5,600, while silver worth £5,900 is en route to Bombay. Silver coins worth Rs. 1,22,329 were imported during the week. 132 bars of silver were shipped to London per s.s. "Ranchi" last week. In all 840 bars of silver were shipped to London during the past three weeks. The highest and lowest rates touched during the week were: Rs. 47-14-6 and Rs. 46-1-0 for spot, Rs. 47-15 and Rs. 46-1-6 for January settlement and Rs. 48-0-6 and Rs. 46-2-6 for February settlement. The Shanghai dollar was unchanged at 1s. 2 1/4d, while the Yen was stagnant at 1s. 2d. during the week.

SHARES
The local stock market was closed throughout the week for settlement. According to the latest report, there are three defaulters in the market, and pending the settlement of their outstanding business, the market has been kept closed for forward business. The market will reopen on Saturday. The tone of the market is somewhat better at the close.

CALCUTTA
The price of hessians for forward delivery moved narrowly between Rs. 7-2-0 and Rs. 7-1-0, while jute shares were easier mid-week, but closed firm.

HIGH AND LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay, Dec. 16.
Broach A/M. 1938 op. 168 7/8; highest 169 1/2; lowest 166 7/8; closing 168 3/4.
Broach J/A op. 169 1/4; highest 172; lowest 169 1/4; closing 171 1/8.
Oomra D/J. op. 149 1/4; highest 150 1/2; lowest 149 1/4; closing 149 1/2.
Oomra March op. 149 1/2; highest 150 3/4; lowest 148 1/2; closing 150 1/4.
Oomra May op. 150 1/2; highest 151 1/2; lowest 150 1/2; closing 151.
Bengal D/J. op. 130; highest 130 1/4; lowest 130; closing 130.
Bengal March op. 131; highest 131 1/4; lowest 130 3/4; closing 130 3/4.
T/Mandi for Broach April/May (21-12-37) Rs. 3.
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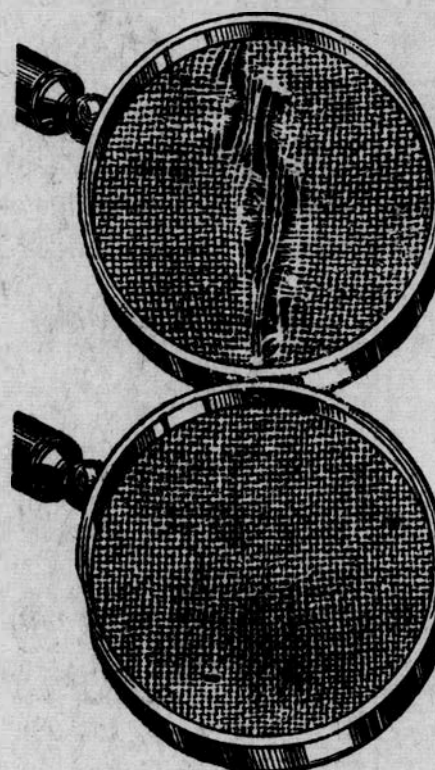
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Speculative Buying In Cotton

NO SALES OF OLD LOAN COTTON

Scarcity Of Offerings But Realising Appears

Bombay, Dec. 17. A rather mixed showing characterised American markets on Thursday among which cotton was buoyant. There was a growing belief on the New York cotton market that prices were working towards the loan level while some importance was attached to the recent report that the commodity credit Corporation will not offer old loan cotton early in the next year as expected.

LARGEST CROP
"The Dow Jones Agency, Washington, state that faced with the largest cotton crop in history the Commodity Credit Corporation and the Reconstruction Finance Corporation will soon announce two significant changes in their policy designed to safeguard the Administration's commodity loan programme. C. C. C. will assume its loan cotton disposal programme in January as previously contemplated. At the same time it will soon be forced to ask the R. F. C. for additional funds to finance increased loans. The latter requires a reversal of the announced Administration policy and a halt in new R. F. C. commitments."

FAST SUPPLY
"The loan cotton disposal programme referred to concerns the old loan (1,500,000 bales) which would under the old loan programme have become available for sale from January to August. With so vast a supply in prospect there would obviously be no purpose in attempting to sell that cotton."

The reference to the increased indication of trouble ahead in this regard state Messrs. M. and B. Stern.

NEW YORK MARKET
The New York cotton market opened steady and was active and advanced on higher Liverpool and Bombay Cables with buying from the markets. Wall Street buying was active and the advance attracted a little more hedging and realising as well as New Orleans selling but contracts were not plentiful spot cotton continued quiet but Textiles were firm and active.

The market was very active during the first hour and both high and low levels were reached during the period. At the opening March was quoted at 5 points up at 8.24 and after declining to 8.23 prices advanced to 8.35. Later on the market was quiet and closed at a rise of 8 to 11 points. Spot cotton prices advanced 8 points at 8.57c per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET
The New Orleans cotton futures market was fairly steady and closed at a rise of 7 to 9 points. Spot cotton prices advanced 9 points at 8.40c per lb.

LIVERPOOL MARKET
The Liverpool cotton futures market opened at a rise of 4 points with January 4.67. There was Bombay buying and local support which formed hedging again tight. Later on there was new speculative buying and the market closed at a rise of 6 to 7 points. Middling American spot cotton prices advanced 5 points at 4.80d per lb.

EGYPTIAN COTTON
Egyptian cotton futures market was fairly steady. Giza futures closed 3 to 4 points up and Uppers futures gained 2 to 4 points. The Alexandria market was steady and closed at a rise of 19 points to unchanged.

LARGE LONG INTEREST
Messrs. M. and B. Stern state:—Forward market opened steady. Following a private cable from Memphis reading:—

"Night session adopts old A. A. A. acreage allotment programme. Likely to advance."

There was general hectic buying especially by jobbers and option dealers which resulted in a sharp advance. Towards the close there was liberal realising by Exporters and Commission Houses.

Apart from the above Memphis message being very ambiguous there is no confirmation by Reuters or in today's private cables which on the contrary state it is very doubtful if the Farm Bill will be passed this session. We think a word of caution to our friends who follow these Memphis messages will not be out of place.

Regarding the market we advise caution in following advances especially locally.

In America the market is likely to run into cotton as it must be remembered that all cotton in loan is not at 9 cents there is some at 8 1/2 cents and lower, whilst all loan cotton has yet to be hedged.

Another unhealthy feature is the very large open long interest, the biggest for many years, held by Indian operators in New York and Liverpool.

On top of this a large long interest is being built up locally, with practically no export demand and the Indian crop yet to move freely.

PRIVATE CABLES.
N. Y. March Highest (10-52 a.m.) 8.33+14
N. Y. March Lowest (10-17 a.m.) 8.13+04
Liverpool January Highest 4.70+07
Liverpool January Lowest 4.65+02
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LINSEED OIL.
Lined Oil, naked London per cwt. January sellers 27/9
Lined Oil, naked London per cwt. May/Aug. sellers 28

NEW YORK COFFEE.
New York, Dec. 16.
Rate Rio de Janeiro No 7 quality 9 1/4

have received today the following cable information from their Foreign Friends:—

New York.—Market firm owing to improvement in gray goods at better price. Trade price fixing and some new speculative buying. Advise buying only on breaks.

New York.—Broadened demand from Bombay, Liverpool, Continent and Wall Street. New Orleans, South and liquidation supplied contracts. Worth Street more active with better prices.

New York.—Speculators buying scarcity of contracts. Have no decided opinion of the market for the near future. Messrs. Bishwambharlal Maheshwari have received today the following cable information from their Foreign Friends:—

New York.—House Senate bill both aim control acreage by means of quota when estimate believed to be certain eventually do not expect adoption till next session. Bear operators covering hedge selling increasing on the advance think hedge selling will be too heavy to admit of much accumulating. Contracts selling to see a fair reaction after the advance just seen.

Speculators buying scarcity of contracts have no decided opinion of the market for the near future.

Messrs. Devkar Nanjee have received the following telegrams from their foreign friends:—

Liverpool.—Market steady. There is a better feeling in the market."

More buyers than sellers. Seems to be turning. Trade shows signs of improving."

New York.—"Speculation increasing. Wall Street buying. New Orleans sold. Agricultural Legislation before next session generally considered impossible which was without effect. Acreage control believed to be certain eventually. Market affected favourably securities."

"Expect increasing pressure any advance favour sales October."

"Large operators bought. Believed to be accumulating. Contracts selling. Do not think well of following the advance."

NEW YORK COTTON.
New York, Dec. 16.
January 8.19+09
March 8.27+08
May 8.31+08
July 8.36+10
October 8.42+11
Middling Spot 8.57+08

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.
New York, Dec. 16.
January 8.30+07
March 8.40+09
May 8.42
Middling Spot 8.40+09
11 a.m. Range—
January 8.24/8.24
March 8.31/8.31
May 8.34/8.34
Non Call—
March 8.27
May 8.30

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTIC.
New York, Dec. 16.
Day's Receipts at all U.S. Ports 15,000
Day's Exports to Great Britain Nil
Day's Exports to the Continent 18,000
Day's Exports to China and Japan Nil

LIVERPOOL COTTON.
Liverpool, Dec. 17.
December 4.68+07
January 4.69+06
February 4.71+07
March 4.73+06
April 4.76+06
May 4.78+06
June 4.79+06
July 4.81+06
August 4.83+06
September 4.85+06
October 4.87+06
November 4.88+06
Middling Spot 4.80+05
10-12 a.m. quotations—
January 4.67
March 4.71

EGYPTIAN COTTON.
Liverpool, Dec. 17.
F.G.F. Spot 7.95
GIZA—
Spot 7.22+4
January 1938 6.59+1
March 6.57+3
May 6.58+4
July 6.60+3
October 6.61+3
November 6.63+3

UPPERS.
Spot 6.10+6
January 1938 5.77+3
March 5.74+4
May 5.77+4
July 5.81+4
October 5.86+2
November 5.86+2

INDIAN COTTON.
Liverpool, Dec. 17.
BROAD—
Fully Good (Good staple) 3.88
Fine Good (Good staple) 4.03
Superfine (Good staple) 4.18
GOMRA—
Fine (No 1 staple) 4.03
Superfine (No 1 staple) 4.18
Choice (No 1 staple) 4.33
BENGAL—
Good 3.57
Fully Good 3.67
Fine 3.82

INDIAN CENTRAL COTTON COMMITTEE.
The Third All-India Cotton Forecast estimates for 1937-38 will be issued at 2.35 p.m. (S.T.) on Monday, the 20th December 1937.

LONDON PRODUCE.
London, Dec. 16.
Wheat Hozario Santa Fe parcels 40/3
Wheat Barletta Russo parcels 40/1 1/2
Wheat South Australian parcels 38/9
January sellers

LONDON RUBBER.
London, Dec. 16.
Smoked sheets standard ribbed per 100 lbs. 7 1/2

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, Dec. 17. Following a rise of 8 points in New York cotton futures, the local market opened today at Rs. 167/12 for Broach A/M. delivery and declined to Rs. 167/8 on scattered realising. Later on there was slightly better enquiry and prices improved to Rs. 168/4. The tone of the market was steady but buyers were cautious.

Liverpool market opened at a decline of 2 points and later on it was one point up. The local market closed at 5 p.m. as under:—
Broach A/M. 169 2 0
Broach J/A 171 8 0
Oomra D/J 150 8 0
Oomra March 151 0 0
Oomra May 151 12 0
Bengal D/J 129 8 0
Bengal March 130 4 0

Cotton Room Rates
Bombay, Dec. 17
Extra Spring Fine FG Good
M G— 138 136 134 132
Bengal U P 138 136 134 132
Punjab 138 136 134 132
Oomra No. 3 157 155 153 151
C P No. 1 169 167 165 163
C P No. 2 162 160 158 156

Ready Cotton Quotations
Bombay, Dec. 17
Bengal Fine new 134/36
C P 1 new 164/67
C P 2 new 150/59
Arvi new 160/61
Berar new 150/52 old 114/19
Khandesh new 142/43 old 114/19
Jaina Saliu new 143/44 old 114/19
Burwah Sanawad old 114/19
Mathia new 137/39 old 79/99
Broach old 156/63
Punjab 4 new 184/86 new +14/16
Punjab 2 F new 238/43 new +7/72
Sindh 4 F new 183/86 new +15/17
Sindh N T new 220/22 new +50/52 Mr/Ar.
Kampala old 303/308 +122
Manza new 271/73

Indian Cotton Figures
Bombay, Dec. 17
RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY Since 1st Sept.
In full-pressed bales
Yesterday. This year
Khandesh 8.19+09
Central India 8.27+08
Barsi and Nagar 1.281
Hyderabad Gaorani 1.281
Berar 1.034
Central Provinces 1.771
Total Oomras 1.324
Dholera 1.39
N W Provinces 1.352
Rajputana 5,598
Sind Punjab 111,224
Broach 1,496
Goompta and Dharwar 31
Western Northern 3
Cooanada 12
Tinnevely and Cambodia 811
Egyptian African and 440
Sudan 2,527
Comilla, Burma and other sorts 378
Total 10,072 275,523

Exports From Bombay
1st Sept to 9th Dec
In full-pressed bales
Yesterday. This year
Europe 912 47,771
Japan and China 200
Coast Ports 1
Up-country by Rail 1
Afloat in harbour for Europe, China and Japan 2,425
Total 913 237,750

American Cotton Figures
F.P. Bales. 1937-38 1936-37
Receipts to date 541,500 491,400
Receipts Yesterday 15,000 31,000
Exports to date 304,000 273,500
Stock at Ports 10-12-37 333,000 294,000
Stock at Interior 10-12-37 230,800 232,700
Stock at Liverpool 10-12-37 95,800 82,500
Visible Supply 10-12-37 754,000 675,700
Quantity in sight 949,200 900,300
Quantity out of sight 10-12-37 462,700 549,000

Cotton Arrivals
Receipts into Bombay on 15th December 9,888
Receipts into Bombay to date since 1-9-1937 265,461
Receipts into Bombay same time last season 439,152
Decrease 173,691

Cotton Straddles
APPROXIMATE DIFFERENCES.
New York—Liverpool:—
Jan. 153 March 153 May 159 July 160
Oct. 166 at Cross Rate 4.39 3/4
Bombay—Liverpool:—
Broach A/M. 1938 168/8—Liverpool 1/6
May 1938 4.76 Rs. 38 3/4 at Exchange 1/6
Bombay—Liverpool:—
Broach J/A. 1938 170/12—Liverpool 1/6
July 4.79 Rs. 37 1/2 at Exchange 1/6
Bombay—New York:—
Broach A/M. 1938 168/8—New York May 8.31 Rs. 16 1/4 at Cross Rate 4.39 3/4

Osaka Cotton
Osaka, Dec. 17.
February 50.70
March 50.70

Osaka Sappin
Osaka, Dec. 17.
December 227.40-140
February 229.50
March 230.50-210
April 230.50-210
June 238.50-250

GOLD & SILVER

Bombay, Dec. 17. Yesterday London gold prices closed unchanged at 26-19-9 1/2. London/Paris Exchange rate was one point down at 147.28. Dollar/Sterling cross rate was 4.99 3/4. London spot silver prices were unchanged at 18 1/16d. but forward quotation declined 1/4d. to 18 1/16d. Bears covered cash in order to cover scarcity of stocks. Montreal silver futures advanced 13c points but May contracts declined 130 points. New York silver was unchanged at 44 3/4 cents. Shanghai T. T. on London was quoted 1.2 1/4. The local market was firm at Rs. 17 1/4 but later on prices declined to Rs. 46/13 for silver, gold was quietly steady.

GOLD
Ready 34 0 0
Magrar 34 8 0
Post 34 8 0
SILVER.
Ready 46 13 0
Magrar 46 13 0
Post 46 14 0

LONDON GOLD
London, Dec. 16.
Gold Bars Fine per oz 26-19-9 1/2
LONDON SILVER.
London, Dec. 16.
Spot 18 1/16
Forward 18 1/16

Montreal Silver
Montreal, Dec. 16.
December 40.10-10
March 41.50-130
May 41.10-130

LONDON METALS
London, Dec. 16.
Copper 240 8 3
Lead 216 1 9
Spelter 215 10 0
Tin 219 15 0

Bombay Metals
Bombay, Dec. 17.
London Market.—
Standard copper cash (buyers) £40/5/0
Standard copper 3 months £40/10/0
Electrolytic copper £45/0/0
Bombay Market.—
Yellow Metal Sheets Rs. 39-8-0
Copper Sheets Rs. 43-0-0
Tone: Firm.

LINSEED & WHEAT
Bombay, Dec. 17.
Yesterday all foreign markets were easier owing to freer Australian and Russian offerings. The Argentine crop estimate failed to have any effect and there was less disposition to buy. The local market was quiet with a small business.
Linseed May 7 12 6
Wheat Jan. 5 0 6
Wheat May 4 13 6

Groundnuts Coromandel Shelled
London, Dec. 16.
January £11-16-3.

Groundnuts And Seeds
Bombay, Dec. 17.
Groundnuts Feb.—
Opening 31 2 0
Highest 31 2 0
Lowest 31 2 0
Closing 31 6 6
Castorseed May—
Opening 35 9 0
Highest 35 11 0
Lowest 35 8 0
Closing 35 11 0
Cottonseed Jan.—
Opening 19 10 0
Highest 19 10 0
Lowest 19 8 0
Closing 19 10 0
Cottonseed May—
Opening 20 4 6
Highest 20 5 6
Lowest 20 3 0
Closing 20 5 0

LONDON SUGAR
London, Dec. 16.
March 56. 1 5/4d.

New York Sugar
New York, Dec. 16.
March 2.34 unchanged.
May 2.35 unchanged.
July 2.37+1.
September 2.37+1.

Bombay Sugar
Bombay, Dec. 17.
Ready Javas Rs. 15-10-0
Shipment Jan.-March Rs. 5-15-0
Shipment April-June Rs. 5-15-0
Kesar Rs. 11-4-0
Savaya Rs. 11-2-0
Java spot F 7.00.

Wheat Liverpool
Liverpool, Dec. 16.
December 92 1/2d.
March 91 1/8d.
May 91 1/8d.
July 91 1/8d.

Chicago Wheat
Chicago, Dec. 16.
December 0.91 1/4
May 0.94 1/4
July 0.85 1/8

Alexandria Cotton
Alexandria, Dec. 16.
SAKEL—
January 14.18+2.
May 13.75-0.

ASHMOUNI—
December 9.94+19.
January 9.88+19.
February 9.80+8.
March 9.97+14.
June 9.97+14.
GIZA—
January 11.82+11.
May 11.95+5.

GOVT. SECURITIES

Bombay, Dec. 17.
2 3/4 per cent 1948/52 100/4
3 per cent 1951/54 102 8
4 per cent 1947 103/8
4 per cent U. Bonds 9
3 1/2 per cent G. P. N. Cash 98
3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 Loan 106/5
4 per cent 1948 Bonds 108/4
4 per cent 1960/70 113/10
4 1/2 per cent 1955/60 119/6
5 per cent 1939/44 104/14
5 per cent 1940/43 107/14
5 per cent 1938/40 Loan 102/9
5 per cent 1953/63 112/4
5 per cent 1955 123
5 per cent 1945/55 120/8
1/2 per cent 1939 Mysore 103
CORPORATION DEBENTURES.
New York P. T. 167 1/10
4 per cent N. Deb 1974 108
3 per cent M. Deb 1949 118/8
5 per cent 1954 131/8
5 per cent K. P. T. 1956 131/8

MONEY MARKET
Bombay, Dec. 17.
B. C. RATES—
T. T. D. D. 1/6 1/16
LONDON—
Bank's selling T. T. D. D. 1/6 3/32
Bank's buying T. T. D. D. 1/6 5/32
Bank's buying D. D. 1/6 3/16
Bank's buying 3 months 1/6 7/32
NEW YORK—
Bank's selling T. T. 268 1/4
Bank's buying T. T. 264 1/8
ARIS—
Bank's selling T. T. 1,104
Bank's buying T. T. 1,124
JAPAN—
Bank's selling T. T. 7 1/2
Bank's buying T. T. 7
AMSTERDAM—
Bank's selling D. D. 67 3/8
JAV—
Bank's selling D. D. 67 1/8
HONGKONG—
Bank's selling D. D. 83 1/2
SHANGHAI—
Bank's selling D. D. 79 1/2
Bank's buying D. D. 156 1/4
PERLIP—
Bank's selling D. D. 92 1/8
CROSS RATE—
New York/London 4.99/68 16th inst.
Japan/London 1/2 17th inst.
Hongkong/London 1/3 1/32 17th inst.
London/Berlin 12.39 1/4 16th inst.
London/Stockholm 15.40 16th inst.
London/New York 4.99/72 16th inst.
London/Amssterdam 8.98 1/2 16th inst.
London/Italy 95.15 16th inst.
Tone of Sterling Exchange—Steady.
Gold 26-19-9 1/2 16th inst.
Gold 26-19-9 1/2 16th inst.
Silver London Ready 18 1/16 16th inst.
Silver London Forward 18 5/16 15th inst.
Silver London Forward 18 1/16 16th inst.
Silver New York Ready 45 15th inst.
Silver New York Ready 45 16th inst.

Indian Sterling Loans
Call Loan London 1/2
3 per cent 93 3/4
3 1/2 per cent 1954/59 103 1/4
4 per cent 1948/53 107 1/4
4 1/2 per cent 1950/55 112
4 1/2 per cent 1958/68 115
5 per cent 1940/47 109 3/4
5 per cent 1949/52 99
2 1/2 per cent British Consols 74 3/8
1/2 per cent War Loan 101 5/8
4 per cent Funding Loans 1960/90 112 3/8
Indian Iron and Steel New
Ord. Firm 51/3

LONDON DISCOUNT RATES.
London, Dec. 16.
Bank bills 3 months market rate 11/16 per cent to 3/4 per cent.
Bank bills 6 months market rate 11/16 per cent to 1/16 per cent.
Fine Trade Bills 3 months market rate 2 per cent to 2 1/2 per cent.
Fine Trade Bills 6 months market rate 2 1/2 per cent to 3 per cent.
Interest day to day loan 1/2 per cent to 1/2 per cent.
Interest 7 days' market loan 1/2 per cent.

LONDON EXCHANGES.
London, Dec. 16.
T. T. London on—
New York 4.99/72
Paris 147.28
Berlin 12.39 1/4
Madrid 76.00
Amsterdam 8.98 9/16
Brussels 29.40 3/4
Milan 95.15
Borne 21.60 3/4
Prague 142.25

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE
London, Dec. 17.
Rupee Paper 3 1/2 per cent 273
Indian Stock 3 per cent 1948 279 1/2
Indian Stock 3 1/2 per cent 1951 or later 293 3/8
Indian Stock 4 1/2 per cent 1950/55 212
Consols 2 1/2 per cent 274 3/8
Conversion Loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961 2102 1/4
War Loan 3 1/2 per cent 1952 101 5/8
Funding Loan 4 per cent 1960/90 90
Victory Bonds 4 per cent 2111
Chartered Bank of India A. and China 212 1/8
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank London reg. 289
National Bank of India 241 1/2
P. and O. Banking Corporation 29 5/8

Activity In Indian Iron Shares

TATA STEELS FAIRLY STEADY

General Feeling Improves

BOMBAY: December 17. Although the local Market was officially closed for forward business there was a fairly good business done in Steel shares.

The forced selling on behalf of weak clients was readily absorbed and Tata Steel Dfd. shares were done at Rs. 1,160 and Ordinary shares changed hands at Rs. 262, but later on they were placed at Rs. 260.

There was considerable activity in Indian Iron shares which were done at Rs. 34-8 and later on they were quoted at Rs. 33-12. Burma Corporation shares were done at Rs. 8-2, but later on they were offered at Rs. 8.

Scindia shares were in demand at Rs. 21-8, but prices eased to Rs. 23-12.

The improvement in prices was helped by a rise of Dollars 1-12 in U. S. Steel shares and Anaconda Coppers also improved by Dollars 1-14.

The settlement being now over the market will open to-morrow for business in forward contracts, but in view of the approaching Xmas Holidays, there will not be any marked activity and after the recent slump in prices there will be less inducement to buy although some shares appear attractive.

TEXTILE SHARES.
Bombay: December 17.
100 Ahm. Advance (Rs. 6) 360 U
250 BOM DYEING (Rs. 25) 965 0
100 CENTURY 238 12
100 CEN. INDIA (Rs. 4) 263 12
100 COLABA (Rs. 2-8) 238 12
100 Coorla (Rs. 5) 110 0
250 David 75 0
250 Dawn (Rs. 10) 410 0
1 E. D. Sassoon (nil) 0 0
100 Finlay (Rs. 2) 136 4
100 GOKAK (Rs. 4-8) 195 0
100 Hindustan (Rs. 75) 1,720 J
100 Indore 71 2
100 Khatau (Rs. 3) 123 2
100 KOHINOOR (Rs. 10) 342 8
250 Laxmi (Rs. 12-8) 379 8
250 Madras United 35 0
1000 Morarij (nil) 1,205 0
250 Model 55 0
50 MYSORE (Rs. 2) 120 J
200 NEW GREAT (nil) 280 0
100 Osmanshahi (Rs. 1) 42 8
100 Phoenix (nil) 295 0
25 SASSOON SILK (Rs. 2) 63 0
1000 Sholapur (Rs. 50) 1,950 0
50 SIMPLEX (Rs. 2) 95 0
50 SWADESHI (Rs. 5) 252 8
100 Swan 105 0
100 Vishnu (Rs. 50) 1,400 0
1000 Western (Rs. 10) 915 0

BANKS.
50-100 Baroda (Rs. 2-8) 117 U
25-50 Central (Rs. 12) 29 10
500 Imperial (Rs. 30) 1,575 0
125-500 I. Conty. (Rs. 7-8) 382 8
50-100 India (Rs. 2-8) 142 6
100 Reserve Bank (Rs. 3-8) 128 6
5 Union (As. 4) 5 8

CEMENTS.
100 ASSOCIATED 140 8
INSURANCE.
100-500 Empire (Rs. 14) 970 9
15-100 Jupiter (As. 12) 15 0
20 Mercantile 55 0
15-75 New India (Rs. 1-4) 40 12
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Latest Commercial News

NEW YORK COTTON SIX POINTS DOWN

Bullion Strong: Restricted Operations In Wheat

BOMBAY, Dec 17 On Friday cross rates maintained a steady tone. New York cotton opened strong on speculative buying. However uncertainties regarding Agricultural Legislation checked further progress. Later prices eased on hedging pressure. Bullion market was active on speculative buying and covering by shorts influenced by encouraging London advices. **LIVERPOOL WHEAT** Market displayed better tendency due to good business in Australian quantities. **CHICAGO WHEAT** Prices advanced on local as well as outside buying.

COTTON

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES

MARCH 1938	New York, Dec 17
Previous closing	8.27
Today's opening	8.30
Difference	+0.03
Today's closing	8.21
Difference	-0.09

LIVERPOOL COTTON

JANUARY 1938	Liverpool, Dec 17
Previous closing	4.68
Today's opening	4.67
Difference	-0.01
Today's closing	4.68
Difference	+0.01

BROACH EXPECTATION

New April May Rs. 168

N. Y. COTTON MARKET

New York, Dec 17 New York market was somewhat more active on speculative support on theory that contracts are scarce however uncertainty surrounding agricultural legislation restricted trading. Trading in March began at 8.30 i.e. three points higher than previous closing prices advanced slightly on better Liverpool cables and some trade buying but activity soon slowed down with price reacting to 8.25 on some operations with movements there small and narrow.

NEW YORK COTTON

The following were the opening ranges—	New York, Dec 17
December (8.14/8.14)	8.20/8.16
January (8.25/8.24)	8.30/8.30
March (8.29/8.28)	8.35/8.34

LIVERPOOL COTTON

American December (4.65)	Liverpool, Dec 17
American January (4.66)	4.68
Sakels January (6.62)	6.61
Sakels March (6.58)	6.57

BROACH COTTON

Bombay, Dec 17 Trading in Broach began with Rs. 167 1/2. Prices improved on speculative support but prices reacted on offices selling however some buying on Indore account brought recovery while steady New York also helped market which soon rose to Rs. 168 1/2.

LONDON MARKETS

The rates at 2.30 p. m. were as follows:—

TEA	London, Dec 17
Indian Pekoe (1-0 3/4) 1-0 3/4	
Indian Pekoe higher (1-2) 1-2 1/4	
Ceylon Pekoe (1-5 3/4) 1-5 3/4	
Ceylon Pekoe higher (1-6 1/8) 1/8	

JUTE

New Crop December January (£19 1/4 sellers) £19 5/16 sellers
Dunlop December (£22) £22 sellers
Nighting December (£21 sellers) £21 sellers

RUBBER

Spot (7 1/4 value) 7 5/16 value
Forward April June (7 7/16 paid) 7 1/2 paid buyers

LINSEED

Castorseed Bombay December January (£14 1/8 sellers) £14 1/8 sellers
Linseed Calcutta December January (£15 1/8 sellers) £15 1/16 sellers
Linseed La Plata December (£12 3/4 sellers) £12 3/4 sellers
Groundnuts Comoranda January (£11 13/16 sellers) £11 7/8 sellers

LIVERPOOL WHEAT

Liverpool, Dec 17 Liverpool wheat opened steady with March at 90 3/4 and at May 90 3/4. The market displayed fairly good tendency following good business in Australian quantities but operations were restrained by prevailing uncertainties.

CHICAGO WHEAT

Chicago, Dec 17 Chicago wheat opened steady with December at 94 1/2. Prices advanced on scattered local and better outside demand influenced by steadiness abroad with price further improving to 95 1/2.

3 1/2 P. C. GOVT. PAPER

Closing Quotations

Bombay, Dec 17
The 3 1/2 per cent Government paper closed at Rs. 98 to-day.

INDIAN STERLING LOAN

London, Dec 17
The 3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed at £93 1/4 as against the previous closing at £93 3/8

INDIAN LOANS

London, Dec 17
3 per cent Indian (£98-6) 2.30 p.m.
3 1/2 per cent Indian (£93 1/2) £93 1/2

4 1/2 per cent Indian Stock 1950-55 (£112) £112
4 1/2 per cent Indian 1958-68 (£114 3/4) £115

4 per cent Indian 1948-53 (£107 1/2) £107
5 per cent Indian 1942-47 (£109 3/4) £109 3/4

3 1/2 per cent New Indian 1954-59 (£103) £103

AUSTRALIAN LOANS

5 per cent Australian Loan 1945/70 (£107) £107

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent Consols (£74 3/8) £74 3/8

3 1/2 per cent Convulsion Loan (£102 1/8) £102 1/4

4 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£105 3/4) £105 3/4

5 per cent Funding Loan (£112 3/8) £112 3/8

3 1/2 per cent War Loan (£101 1/2) £101 1/2

4 per cent Victory Bonds (£111) £111

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, Dec 17 London Stock Exchange was moderately active on some enquiry with actual business slow. Gilt-edged securities continued more or less steady with small business transacted three and half was quoted at 92 1/2 i.e. 2 1/2 shillings higher than previous closing.

INDUSTRIALS

Standard Motors (15 7/8) 15 7/8
Marks and Spencer Ordinary (58 1/2) 58 1/2

1/2 Hydro Electric (5 3/4) 5 3/4
Musical Industries (17 1/2) 17 1/2

Prinching Johnson (38-10 1/2) 38-10 1/2
Imperial Chemical (35 1/2) 35 1/2

Woolworth New Ordinary (70 1/2) 70 1/2
Realisation 1930 (£52 1/2) £52 1/2

Dunlop Rubber (32-3) 32
Unilever Ordinary (36 3/8) 36 3/8

Ford Motors (22 1/2) 22 1/2
Cables and Wireless new ordinary (£67) £67 1/4

British American Tobacco (£85-7 1/2) 85-4 1/2

Carre's 'A' (£7 5/8) £7 5/8
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary (£46-3 1/4) 46-3/8

P. and O. S. N. Company Deferred (21) 21

Distillers (104) 105
Bredford Dyer (£5 1/4) £5

British Celanese (£4 1/4) £4
J. and P. Coats Ordinary (40 1/2) 40

1/2 Courtatds Ordinary (45-9) 46-1 1/2
Fine Cotton Spinners (6 1/2) 6 1/2

Vickers Limited Ordinary (26 1/8) 26 1/8

1/2 Inter Nickels (44 7/8) 44 7/8
Indian Iron and Steel Ordinary (51) 51

Tata Steel Preference (£102) £102

TEA SHARES

Assam Company (29-3) 29-3
Gula Kelamp (29-4 1/2) 29-4 1/2

Rubber Plant Inv Trust (28-7 1/2) 28-7 1/2

JUTE SHARES

Barnagore (£9) £9

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug (52-6) 52-6
Burma Corporation (12 1/4) 12 1/4

Rio Tinto (£18 3/8) £18 3/8
East Rand Proprietors (58-3) 58-3

Rand Mines (£7 7/8) £7 7/8

MINE SHARES

Crown Mines (£15 1/4) £15 1/2
Associated Portland Cement (34-10 1/2) 34-10 1/2

1/2 Trinidad Leaseholds (100) 100
Sub Nigel (£9 1/4) £9

Spring Mines Split Shares (33-1 1/2) 33-1 1/2

Union Corporation (£7 3/4) £7 3/4

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian (38-9) 40
Anglo Iranian (78-9) 78-9

Burma Oil (£16 7/8) 16 7/8
Mexican Eagle (14-1 1/2) 14-1 1/2

Shell Transport (38-9 1/2) 38-9 1/2
Royal Dutch (£40 3/8) £40 3/8

HOME RAIL SHARES

Great Western (£68 1/4) £68 1/4
L. and S. Ordinary (£29 1/8) £29 1/8

L. N. E. R. Deferred (£4 1/4) £4 1/8
Southern Dutch (£19 1/4) £19 1/8

London Paris 5 per cent (£128) £128
London Transport 'C' Stock (£79 3/4) £79 3/4

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, Dec 17
To-day's opening rates were as follows:—

General Motors (dol 33 1/8) dol 33 1/8
Anaconda Copper Mining (dol 32) dol 32

U. S. Steel Common (dol 58) dol 58
U. S. Steel Preference (dol 107 3/4) 107 3/4

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Sporadic Profit-Taking Wall-Street Opens Steady

(SPECIAL CABLE)

LONDON, Dec 17

On the Stock Exchange, sentiment was cheerful and the majorities of prices were well maintained, despite sporadic profit-taking. Mexican Eagle were exceptionally active on selling believed to be Mexican account.

Argentine rails were marked upon reports that the demand for increased rates would be granted.

Among commodities, wheat eased on American straddling.

Wall Street opened steady.

TIN SITUATION

Cut Of 40 Per Cent.

Singapore, Dec. 16.

(From our special correspondent.)

In my Report of last I have tentatively expressed that the production of Tin is more than 2,000 tons a month a head of consumption at present. The Tin Plate Mills are running only at 65 per cent of the nominal capacity and the future outlook is for further declines. (America absorbs 40 per cent of the world's tin production)

The Automobile Industry, also have warned to slow down productions in view of the uncertainty of Spring Sales on 1938, have curtailed to a minimum otherwise it would have been expanded early in October on a large scale, in accordance with their autumnal procedure.

Amid the clouds I.T.C. have determined to weather away the storm when it meets on Dec. 17. The tin situation still hold that proposals are afoot to cut to 75 per cent or even 70 per cent for the first half of 1938. Now that every one is looking forward for the I.T.C. Decision, and the final decision won't be before Dec. 11. How so ever that may be a cut if not accurate to 70 per cent would be the result, since the future is so complicating that the anxiety is predominant. For the renewal of the International Silver agreement of 1933 expiring at the end of 1937 will not likely be attempted will be lost to lapse, causing releases of abundant additional supply of Silver from the strong rooms to the market, creating suspension only to be awaited for, how America is going to treat the tin situation, the tin situation, if it went on unchanged will cease to breathe good omen particularly to Metal Market. Under the lapse of the said agreement, China will be forced to liquidate her tin stocks, the tin situation, the American Silver Treaty will survive the lapsing of the International Agreement. Apropos the then situation will be more precarious by sales of Silver by Japan, (Khopoli, Bhivpur and Bhira) of the Hydro Group were as follows:—

50th Week (ended 18th December)

1935 11,516,500

1936 11,005,900

1937 13,726,700

Total for 50 Weeks (1st January to date)

1935 550,129,400

1936 535,280,200

1937 632,027,800

PRODUCE RECEIPTS

Bombay, Dec. 17.

Wheat 5,095 cwt.

Linseed 2,056 cwt.

Rape, Rai and Mustardseeds 275 cwt.

Gingellyseed 508 cwt.

Groundnuts 21,167 cwt.

Castorseed 209 cwt.

Rice 20,683 cwt.

Myraballams 1,542 cwt.

Cottonseed 1,078 cwt.

Gram 310 cwt.

Joovar 212 cwt.

Barley 690 cwt.

Bajree 1,577 cwt.

Indian Sugar 1,014 cwt.

"STORM OVER CENTRAL ASIA"

Socialist Lecture Series At Matunga

Mr. Yusuf Meherally will deliver the third lecture of the series arranged by the Bombay Congress Socialist Party at the Ashika Samaj, Matunga to-day (Saturday) at 9 p.m. (S.T.).

Admission tickets of 4 annas for the whole series are available at the hall premises.

Mr. Meherally will speak on "Storm Over Central Asia."

Meherally's Appeal To Support Huithesingh

Syt. Yusuf Meherally writes:—

"The Congress members from the Bombay City will be called upon to choose on Sunday, 25 members who will constitute the Provincial Congress Committee for the coming year as well as represent them at the forthcoming session of the Haripur Congress."

"My request, therefore, to those friends, known and unknown, who have every time supported my candidature, is to remember Syt. Huithesingh. Every vote given to Syt. Huithesingh is a vote that I shall regard as if it was given to me."

40 PER CENT CUT

The International Tin Restriction Committee has passed the January-March 1938 quota to be 70 per cent. A cut of 40 per cent, thus maintaining the stability of prices of tin. This announcement has taken the world of financiers and interested persons into trust and alike New York and London quoted firmly closing London last Saturday 11th, at £198-5-0 an increase £3-0-0, per ton for spot-white New York quoted 1 higher than as is seen at present if not improving.

All of a sudden, a steady atmosphere will prevail. The clouds of anxiety, prevailed in this metal section has weathered away. Of course in view of the fact that the New Year only a gradual rise in price is looked for.

CALCUTTA SHARE MARKET

Fair Turnover In Coals

CALCUTTA, Dec 17

In Jutes chief speculative stocks ruled very firm. Coals continued to rule firm and a fair turnover took place. Teas were more or less neglected. In the miscellaneous section Indian Irons opened firm but eased off slightly but again closed steady towards close. Other speculative stocks also ruled firm. Electricals were in fair request. Government securities were quiet but steady. Following were the closing quotations:—

Securities: Three per cent loan 1951/54 102 1/2 small lot; three and half per cent Government paper 98 1/2; four per cent loan 1950/70 113 1/4 small lot; five per cent loan 1939/44 104 1/4 small lot; five per cent loan 1938/40 102 1/11; five per cent loan 1938/44 104 1/10 small lot; five and half per cent loan 1939/40 102 1/11

Banks: Ballygunge 106; Reserve Bank 123.

Cottons: Gaya Cotton and Jute ord 10 1/8; New V. V. 10 1/2.

Coals: Bengal 354 small lot; Bhaigora 5/8; Burakur 15/4; Bokaro and Ramgar 18/10; Dumtola Main 12/11; East Indian 20/2; Equitable 38/8; Mundulore 9/4; New Banadpur 15; New Bhoom 20/4; North Damuda 7/11; Samla 2/2; Seazole 5/4; South Karanpura 6/12; Standard 33/4; West Jamuria 29/4

Jutes: Auckland 60 small lot; Belvedere 28; Olive 20; Hooghly ord 35 1/8; Barnagore 112; Birla 15/9; Delta 330; Howrah 45/4; Kamarhatti 440; Northbrook 33/8; Presidency 3/8; Standard per 120; Reliance 36/4; Waverley 18 1/2; Jubbulpore Electric 12/8; Rawalpindi Electric 24/12; Kukumchand Steel ord 10/10; Indian Irons 34/8; Kumardubi Engineering per 75 small lot; Marshalls 1/6; Steel Corporation ord 6/8; do 8/16; Triton Insurance 250 small lot; B. I. Corporation ord 3/10; Dunlop Rubber per 100; Indian Wood Products 22/12; Indian Rubber Mantg 22/8; Indian Cables 13/6; New India Investment 18 1/2; Star Trading Investment ord 26/8; B. B. Petroleum 4/11; Bengal Paper ord 103 small lot; Titagarh Paper A ord 17/12 cum div; India General Navigation ord 105 1/4.

Sugars: Cawnpore 17/12; New Savan 8/12; Ryam Sugar 19/13.

Teas: Bishnauth 24/8; Dimakusi 25/8; Teenali 12/4.—A. P.

TATA HYDRO-ELECTRIC CONCERNS

Messrs. Tata Hydro-Electric Agencies Limited, Agents for the Tata Hydro-Electric Power Supply Co., Ltd. The Andhra Valley Power Supply Co., Ltd., and the Tata Power Company, Limited, report that the total electric (Board of Trade) units generated at the three Power Stations (Khopoli, Bhivpur and Bhira) of the Hydro Group were as follows:—

50th Week (ended 18th December)

1935 11,516,500

1936 11,005,900

1937 13,726,700

Total for 50 Weeks (1st January to date)

1935 550,129,400

1936 535,280,200

1937 632,027,800

PRODUCE RECEIPTS

Bombay, Dec. 17.

Wheat 5,095 cwt.

Linseed 2,056 cwt.

Rape, Rai and Mustardseeds 275 cwt.

Gingellyseed 508 cwt.

Groundnuts 21,167 cwt.

Castorseed 209 cwt.

Rice 20,683 cwt.

Myraballams 1,542 cwt.

Cottonseed 1,078 cwt.

Gram 310 cwt.

Joovar 212 cwt.

Barley 690 cwt.

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BOMBAY: SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1937

Muslims Win First Round Of 'Pentangular' Victory Of 8 Wickets Over Parsis

SCORES:—

Parsis (First Innings)	178
Muslims (First Innings)	201
Parsis (Second Innings)	126
Muslims (Second Innings) (for 2 wickets.)	104

THE MUSLIMS, AS EXPECTED, BEAT THE PARSIS BY 8 WICKETS.

Mushtaq Ali's effort with the bat yesterday morning made things a practical certainty and he might have carried his side to victory himself, but for an accident that ended his life 37 runs short of the winning total. As he left and walked to the Club House, Mushtaq was garlanded by an admirer.

Abbas Khan and Qamruddin took the Muslim score to 104, both remaining unbeaten. By their victory the Muslims now come to play against "The Rest."

This match will, according to reports, not prove as uninteresting as was originally anticipated. "The Rest" are calling upon the services of some well-known outsiders to put "salt" in the game.

THE HINDUS HAVING FALLEN OUT OF THE PENTANGULAR, THE CRICKET CLUB OF INDIA HAVE FIXED A MATCH THAT WILL FILL THE GAP IN THE DAYS OF PLAY BETWEEN THE MUSLIM-PARSI FIXTURE, THAT CLOSED ON FRIDAY AND THE MUSLIM V. "THE REST" MATCH TO START ON TUESDAY.

THE EUROPEANS, WHO WALK INTO THE FINALS WITHOUT EFFORT, ARE TO MEET ON SATURDAY AND SUNDAY A SIDE SELECTED BY THE CRICKET CLUB OF INDIA ON THE BRABOURNE STADIUM GROUND.

DETAILS OF GAME

Mushtaq Ali and Abbas Khan, the overnight not-outs resumed the Muslims' second innings on Friday morning and set about their task of getting runs immediately. The Karachi player was cautiousness itself and scoring was practically left to Mushtaq Ali, who did this fast.

The bowlers in-charge of the attack this morning were initially Palla and Patel, the former, however, gave place to Vajifdar after an over. Exactly after half an hour's play 50 of the innings was hoisted which meant that 35 had been collected in 30 minutes today. Of the 50 runs, Mushtaq Ali boasted 38. Runs were coming fast and the next decade was put up in 6 minutes.

Jamshedji had come on little earlier and would have had Abbas Khan caught by himself off his own delivery, if he had accepted a very hot return from the batsman. Mushtaq Ali by reaching his individual 40 at 11-13 a.m. had added 30 to his previous day's total in 40 minutes.

At 67 with Mushtaq Ali and Abbas Khan fully set, the former set out to attempt a single off Vajifdar's bowling. The Indore batsman's call was refused by Abbas Khan and Mushtaq Ali, in trying to get back to his crease, slipped and was run out. He had met a similar fate in the first innings. Mushtaq Ali with his valuable and fast 44 had practically put the Muslims on the road to victory and on his leaving the telegraph indicated (67-2-44).

KARACHI PLAYERS. This brought two Karachi players together. Qamruddin joining

Abbas Khan. The latter, with a four to the Club House screen, earned his 20. Scoring became slow after this, Jamshedji being mainly responsible for this subdued state of things Vajifdar, the Parsi Veteran, was also maintaining a good length from the other end. 2 off Jamshedji from Qamruddin's bat telegraphed 30. He followed this up with a 3 off the same bowler. With a four off Jamshedji Qamruddin raised the Muslim total to 90.

At 94 Tarapore replaced Jamshedji from the Marine Drive end and Qamruddin sent his first ball to the rails. 100 of the innings was signalled at 11-55 a.m. after the Muslims had occupied the crease for 105 minutes. A couple of minutes later Qamruddin, with a single off Vajifdar, gave the Muslims the required 103 to put them level and with another single in the next over off Tarapore, the same batsman earned the victory for his side. Qamruddin, and Abbas remained unbeaten with 22 and 29, respectively.

The Muslims now meet the 'Rest'.

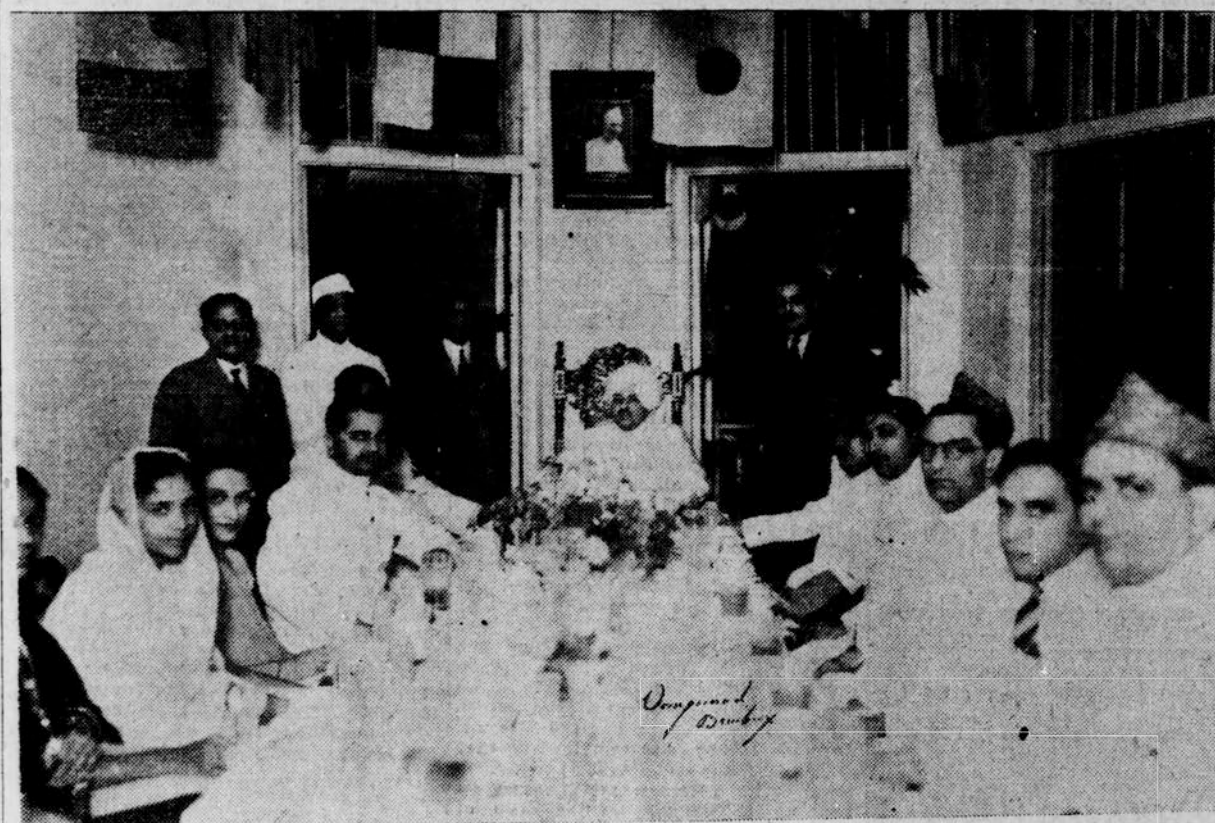
MUSLIMS—2ND INNINGS.

S. M. Kadri, c Patel, b Vajifdar	4
S. Mushtaq Ali, run out	44
Abbas Khan, not out	29
Qamruddin, not out	22
Extras	5

Total (for 2 wickets) 104

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Vajifdar	19	6	35	1
Patel	7	1	29	0
Palla	1	0	3	0
Jamshedji	9	1	24	0
Tarapore	21	0	8	0



The opening ceremony of the 1st Inspectorate office of the Bharat Insurance Co. Ltd. was performed by H. H. The Thakore Saheb of Dhorah on Thursday

FALL IN RAILWAY RECEIPTS

Reduction In Freight Charges Unlikely

(From Our Correspondent)
NEW DELHI, Dec. 16. Railway earnings for eight months ending November 1937 disclosed an increase to the tune of 378 lakhs gross, but for the third time during the last two months returns have tended to show declining tendency. Evidently this has been due to falling off in India's export or raw products like cotton, wheat etc.

For the period of ten days ending in November 13 G.I.P. and N.W. Railways alone have lost 3,60,000 and 2,91,000 rupees respectively on account of considerable shrinkage in movement of raw cotton. Other Railways like B. B. & C. I. for instance, have suffered the same fate owing to less booking of grain pulses, oil seeds, and cotton. North Western Railway will show further fall in returns owing to price parity of wheat having gone down further as a result of larger imports of Australian wheat.

Frantic telegrams are being sent to Commerce Department to resort to protective duty which was abandoned only in last April. Railway Board are seriously examining question of cotton freights but no decisions are likely to be reached at an early date. It might eventually be that no reduction is made though the system of half-hearted rebates, hedged round with number of conditions, has been enforced on N.W.R. booking to Cawnpore. This experiment is being closely watched for further extensions for other stations.

As regards Railway Budgets it is now fairly certain that instead

CONGRESSMEN CONVICTED FOR CONTEMPT OF COURT

Accused Refuse To Apologise: Advocate General Presses For Maximum Sentence

LAHORE, Dec. 17. Two prominent Congress workers of Lyallpur, Mr. Chintra Thapper and Mr. Ram Rakhmal, were found guilty of contempt of court by the Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Munroe, and were ordered to remain in jail until they purged the offence by apologising, the maximum limit being six months imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 200 each.

It is alleged that they delivered speeches and passed a resolution at a public meeting criticising the conduct of the Additional District Magistrate of Lyallpur, in whose court a case against four Congressmen arising out of the hartal on the first of April when the New Constitution was inaugurated in the country, is pending.

Their Lordships asked them if they were prepared to apologise, but they refused. The Advocate-General pressed for the maximum sentence in view of their attitude.

—A. P.

INDIANS IN CEYLON TO BE EVICTED

Fear Of Swamping Village Committee

(From Our Correspondent)
NEW DELHI, Dec. 17. Report has reached New Delhi of attempts to evict under Ordinance 33 Indian Families in Kandopola in Ceylon because the Minister wants to give land to Sinhalese. Protests have been addressed to authorities on the subject but it is not yet known whether they will have any effect.

Strong comments are appearing in Ceylon Press itself on the proposed cess on tea to cover the cost of local labour in place of Indians. One paper calls it iniquitous exaction.

The sole object of Ceylon Government's denial of franchise to Indians is stated to be to prevent Indians from becoming members of permanent population. The only reasons urged against the grant of franchise are that Indians will swamp village committee, that they have no stake in villages and that they enjoy special privileges like labour ordinance. All the three are contrary to admitted facts, for over 70 per cent. of Indians are State born who have cut themselves away from all connections with India. Out of 398 village committees danger of swamping arises only in about 15.

It is reported that export of rubber quota for Ceylon for the first quarter of 1938 has been fixed at 70 per cent. Tea quota has also been raised by 5 per cent, which means further 40 million pounds.

Strengthen Front Of Freedom's Battle

THREE CONGRESS MINISTERS' CALL TO ORGANISE FORCES TO FRUSTRATE FEDERAL SCHEME

LAHORE, Dec. 16. An emphatic and clear declaration to resist Federation and an appeal to countrymen to organise all forces in the land to frustrate the Federal Scheme, were made by three Congress Ministers from three different provinces including the Hon. Mr. Bishwanath Das, Orissa Premier, while speaking at a crowded meeting arranged in their honour this evening at Lal-patral Hall.

LIKE PACK OF CARDS. Frantic cheering greeted the Orissa Premier's announcement that if the Federation were thrust upon the people of India, they would crush the House like a pack of cards, throw it in the Bay of Bengal and come away. He added that the Congress Ministers did not like to live under the shadow of Governors. If they were unable to serve the people's interests remaining in office, they would resign at once and come out. He observed that no body need entertain an illusion about the achievements of the Congress Ministers. If some body would ask him about the same, he would say they were a big zero. The Congress Parliamentary programme was merely to keep away the undesirable and strengthen the front of the battle of freedom.

PROHIBITION PROSPECTS. Describing the work of the

Madras Ministry the Hon. Mr. Gird said that the prohibition scheme in Salem was a complete success. He had no doubt that it would succeed all over the country. Remarkable success had also been achieved in settling, during the short term 17 labour disputes out of 20.

He concluded by an appeal for communal harmony.

REST AFTER BATTLE.

The Hon. Mr. Patil declared that the period of the Congress being in office only denoted a period of rest after battle. It was an opportunity to strengthen the masses for action and create fighting mood in them so that they might never tolerate the injustice of slavery. Merely pledging for independence was not enough. Whoever entered the Congress must be prepared to stake life and property in the country's cause.

Acharya Jugal Kishore, Parliamentary Secretary of the U. P. Government, said that the achievements of the Congress Ministers had been little. But during the remarkably short period the Congress had shown what it was capable of doing if it got power.

The Hon. Mr. Gird and the Hon. Mr. Patil left to-night for their respective destinations.—United Press.

INDIANS IN KENYA

Seth Govind Das On Their Disabilities

JUBBULPORE, Dec. 16. Seth Govind Das addressing a meeting at Nairobi (East Africa) said that the question of Indians overseas came only next to the question of the freedom of India.

The population of India was increasing and East Africa was the fittest and the nearest country for Indians to migrate. If 8 crores of Britishers wanted so many colonies, it was natural for 35 crores of Indians to have a similar desire.

He said that for the persons who took any part in the public affairs in India, it was impossible to ignore the question of colonies and therefore from the beginning of his public career he began to take interest in Indians overseas. It was a co-incidence, that in the year 1919 when he entered public life the reports of the Economic Commission of Kenya and Convention of European Associations of Kenya which sat at Nairobi were published.

In the report of the Economic Commission it was said that the Indian race was a "crafty race" and it had "moral depravity" and the Indian competition deprived

the African of all incentives to ambitions of advancement.

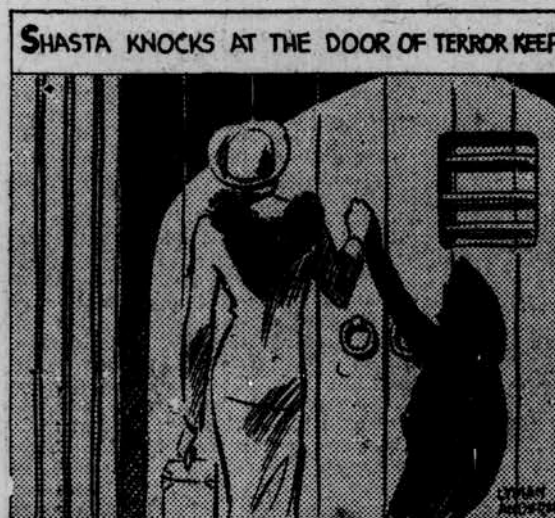
When the war of 1914 was going on in Europe, Indians had not the moral depravity in their character. They were treated as equals to the British or French soldiers to fight the Germans. In the bitter cold of Europe they fought the battles for the protection of the British Empire and the protection of the Union Jack, standing in the trenches of Belgium and France.

But as soon as the war was over, what was the reward which they got? Massacre of Jallian-Wallah Bag in their motherland and the reports of this Economic Commission and Convention which sat in this town of Nairobi in colonies.

Though Colonel Amery on behalf of the Colonial Secretary said in the British parliament that the reports of this Economic Commission of Nairobi had nothing to do with the Government yet the later developments had proved that the seeds of the troubles for Indians in colonies were sown at the time when both these bodies were engaged in their work at Nairobi. All the troubles in African Colonies be they regarding reservation of "highlands" of Kenya or clove trade of Zanzibar, were the direct result of the one policy and one policy alone of the British Government and that was to turn out Indians from the Colonies, to stop their immigration and to keep these colonies reserved for the white races. The irony of fate was that the Germans against whom the Indians fought in 1914 to protect the British Empire could live on the highlands of Kenya on account of their being white, but the Indians in spite of their being British subjects, could not do so.—A. P.

Edgar Wallace's Detective Story Day By Day

INSPECTOR WADE



FRONTIER PROFESSOR'S INVENTION

PESHAWAR, Dec. 16. Professor Fazle Rahman of Islamia College, Peshawar, has invented a novel method of mechanical movement. The Professor claims that the movement is based on a hitherto unknown principle, and would bring about a revolution in the realm of mechanical toys. The cost of production is not very much.—United Press.